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1 [No reportable action was taken as a result of the
2 Board of Supervisors' closed session held today.]

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE JUST HAD A MEETING WITH SECRETARY
7 JULIAN CASTRO, SECRETARY OF H.U.D. FOR THE UNITED STATES
8 GOVERNMENT ALONG WITH THE FIVE SUPERVISORS AND MAYOR ERIC
9 GARCETTI, ALONG WITH THREE OF THE COUNCILMEMBERS FROM THE CITY
10 OF LOS ANGELES, DISCUSSING THE ISSUE ON HOMELESSNESS THAT WE
11 ARE INVOLVED WITH. SO THAT IS WHY WE HAD THE DELAY TO THE
12 MEETING BUT WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN NOW. FIRST WE WILL BE LED IN
13 PLAYER BY PASTOR HARRY MORGAN MOSES BY THE SOUTH SPIRIT WORKS
14 CENTER FOR SPIRITUAL LIVING IN BURBANK IN THE FIFTH
15 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AND OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE
16 LED BY HERACLIO AGUILAR III, SERGEANT, UNITED STATES ARMY
17 RETIRED, TORRANCE, FOURTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. SO, PASTOR.

18
19 **PASTOR HARRY MORGAN MOSES:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. SO LET US
20 TURN OUR ATTENTION TO THAT WHICH IS THE GIVER OF ALL LOVE, ALL
21 LIFE, ALL BEAUTY, THE GIVER OF ALL LIFE, THIS IS ALSO THE
22 PLACE OF ALL INTELLIGENCE. SO WE KNOW THIS IS THE INTELLIGENCE
23 IS THE INTELLIGENCE WORKING THROUGH OUR DISTINGUISHED
24 SUPERVISORS THROUGH ALL OF THE WONDERFUL CIVIL SERVANTS AND
25 THROUGH ALL THE OPERATIONS OF ALL THE 10 MILLION PEOPLE SERVED

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1 BY THE SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SO WE KNOW
2 THAT THIS AGENDA IS HANDLED IN EASE AND GRACE WITH THE HIGHEST
3 INTENTION FOR ALL THE CITIZENS AND ALL THE FRIENDS OF LOS
4 ANGELES COUNTY BRINGING FORTH THE GREAT GOOD FOR THE WHOLE
5 STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. FOR ALL
6 OF THIS GOOD WE ARE IN CELEBRATION AND PRAISE. WE LET IT BE.
7 WE SAY THANK YOU FOR MAKING IT SO. AND SO IT IS, AMEN.

8

9 **SGT HERACLIO AGUILAR III:** PLEASE REMAIN STANDING FOR THE
10 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. PLEASE FACE THE FLAG, PUT YOUR HANDS
11 OVER YOUR HEARTS, AND IF YOU ARE A VETERAN, YOU MAY SALUTE.
12 [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HARRY MOSES HAS BEEN THE DIRECTOR OF
15 THE SPIRITWORKS CENTER FOR SPIRITUAL LIVING IN BURBANK, AND IS
16 A RECOGNIZED AUTHOR, SPEAKER AND MOTIVATIONAL CORPORATE
17 TRAINER. HE AUTHORED HIS NEW BOOK "OBVIOUS POWER" AND THE
18 POPULAR BOOK, "IT'S SO EASY WHEN YOU KNOW HOW" AND HAS HOSTED
19 TELEVISION PROGRAMS. HE HAD SELECTED A GROUP OF CIVIC AND
20 SPIRITUAL LEADERS IN 1999 WITH THE DIALOGUE WITH THE DALAI
21 LAMA IN THE SYNTHESIS PROJECT IN INDIA. HE IS THE FOUNDER OF
22 THE NEW THOUGHT CENTER IN SAN DIEGO, CO-FOUNDER, PAST
23 PRESIDENT OF THE AFFILIATED NEW THOUGHT NETWORK. CO-FOUNDER OF
24 NEW THOUGHT MINISTRIES OF OREGON. SERVED AS SENIOR ADVISER OF
25 THE EMERSON INSTITUTE AND SPOKEN IN MANY OF OUR CHURCHES AND

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1 CENTERS THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES, KANSAS CANADA, MEXICO

2 AND THE UNITED KINGDOM. SO THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN.

3 [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR KNABE?

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,

6 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IT'S MY PRIVILEGE TO PRESENT A

7 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO OUR PRESENTER TODAY FOR THE

8 PLEDGE AND THAT'S HERACLIO AGUILAR WHO LIVES IN TORRANCE. HE'S

9 A FORMER E-5 SERGEANT, UNITED STATES ARMY IN 40TH SIGNAL

10 BATTALION DELTA COMPANY. HE SERVED FROM 2000-2004 AND IS A

11 RECIPIENT OF NUMEROUS AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS, INCLUDING TWO

12 ARMY ACHIEVEMENT MEDALS, THE ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL, TWO GOOD

13 CONDUCT MEDALS AND THE GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE MEDAL.

14 SO ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD, WE'D LIKE TO THANK HIM FOR TAKING

15 THE TIME TO LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE. MORE IMPORTANTLY HIS

16 SERVICE TO AMERICA. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **AVIANNA URIBE, ACTING ASS'T. EXEC. OFCR.:** GOOD MORNING, MR.

19 MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE

20 3, ON ITEM S-1. ON THIS ITEM, THE SHERIFF AND THE INSPECTOR

21 GENERAL REQUEST THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JANUARY 19, 2016. ON

22 PAGE 4, SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDAS, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF

23 THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. ON ITEM 1-D, THIS

24 INCLUDES THE PROVISIONS ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND ON

25 THIS ITEM SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL

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1 REQUEST THIS ITEM BE HELD AS WELL AS MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.
2 ALSO ON THIS ITEM SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE
3 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO NOVEMBER 3, 2015. ON PAGE 7, AGENDA FOR
4 THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT. ON
5 ITEMS 1-P AND 2-P, WE WILL HOLD THESE FOR MEMBERS OF THE
6 PUBLIC. ON PAGE 8, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 10,
7 ON ITEM NO. 1, THIS INCLUDES THE ADDITIONS ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
8 AGENDA AND ON THIS ITEM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THIS
9 ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 2, THIS ALSO INCLUDES THE REVISIONS
10 ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND ON THIS ITEM SUPERVISOR
11 ANTONOVICH AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE
12 HELD. ON ITEM NO. 3, SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND MEMBERS OF THE
13 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO, ON THIS ITEM,
14 SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS TO REVISE THE MOTION FOR THE C.E.O.
15 TO ALSO WORK WITH THE LOS ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICE AUTHORITY.
16 ON ITEM NO. 4, WE WILL HOLD THIS FOR A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.
17 ON ITEM NO. 7, THIS RELATES TO ITEM 1-D, AND THIS ALSO
18 INCLUDES THE REVISIONS ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND THIS
19 ITEM SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUEST
20 THIS ITEM BE HELD AND SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE
21 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO NOVEMBER 3RD. ON ITEM NO. 8, WE WILL
22 HOLD THIS FOR A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. THE REMAINING ITEMS
23 UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.
24

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

2 SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4 **AVIANNA URIBE, ACTING ASS'T. EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 14, CONSENT
5 CALENDAR, ITEMS 11 THROUGH 39. AND ITEM NO. 11, THE CHIEF
6 EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE
7 WEEK TO OCTOBER 27, 2015. ON ITEM NO. 12, SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND
8 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO
9 THIS RELATES TO ITEM NO. 40. ON ITEM NO. 13 AND 14, WE WILL
10 HOLD THESE FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. ON ITEM NO. 16, THE
11 DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
12 ONE WEEK TO OCTOBER 27, 2015. ON ITEM NO. 20, 21 AND 23, WE
13 WILL HOLD THESE ITEMS FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. ON ITEMS 31--
14 ON ITEMS 21, 31 AND 32 AND 34, WE WILL HOLD THESE FOR MEMBERS
15 OF THE PUBLIC. I'M SORRY. ALSO ON ITEM NO. 23, CAN WE HOLD
16 THAT FOR A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC? ON ITEM NO-- THE REMAINING
17 ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECOND,
20 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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22 **AVIANNA URIBE, ACTING ASS'T. EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 27,
23 ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEMS 40 AND 42. ON ITEM 40, THIS
24 IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 6
25 SALARIES, ADDING AND ESTABLISHING A SALARY FOR A NEW

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1 UNCLASSIFIED CLASSIFICATION AND ADDING A CLASSIFICATION AND
2 THE NUMBER OF ORDINANCE POSITIONS IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.
3 AND ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE HELD
4 AS IT RELATES TO ITEM NO. 12. ON ITEM NO. 41, THIS IS AN
5 ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 6
6 SALARIES TO ADD AND ESTABLISH, CHANGE AND OR DELETE CERTAIN
7 CLASSIFICATIONS AND NUMBERS OF ORDINANCE POSITIONS IN VARIOUS
8 DEPARTMENTS. ON THIS ITEM, WE HAVE A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC THAT
9 REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 42, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE
10 FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 10, ANIMALS, TO
11 REQUIRE THAT CATS BE MICROCHIPPED AND SPAYED OR NEUTERED AND
12 ADD, DELETE AND UPDATE RELATED PROVISIONS, ADD THEM IN VARIOUS
13 SECTIONS, USING PLAIN LANGUAGE TO MAKE THIS TITLE MORE
14 UNDERSTANDABLE. ON THIS ITEM, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS
15 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 28, DISCUSSION ITEM, ITEM NO. 43,
16 WE WILL HOLD THIS ITEM FOR PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE 29,
17 MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE
18 THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE
19 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 44-A, WE WILL HOLD THIS FOR
20 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. ON ITEM 44-
21 B, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST
22 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEMS 44-C AND 44-D, A MEMBER OR MEMBERS
23 OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 32, NOTICES
24 OF CLOSED SESSION. ON ITEM C.S.-1 AND C.S.-4, A MEMBER OR
25 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THIS ITEM BE HELD. THAT

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1 COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

2 SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 3.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

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6 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. IT'S MY GREAT

7 PLEASURE TODAY, I KNOW THEY'RE MAKING THEIR WAY UP HERE, TO

8 PRESENT A SCROLL TO A.I.D.S. PROJECT LOS ANGELES, ESPECIALLY

9 RELATED TO THE A.I.D.S. WALK L.A. RIGHT HERE SO THEY CAN TAKE

10 OUR PICTURE. MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND COLLEAGUES, THIS YEAR MARKS

11 THE 31ST ANNIVERSARY OF THE ANNUAL A.I.D.S. WALK L.A. EVENT.

12 IT'S REALLY DIFFICULT TO CAPTURE HOW FAR WE'VE COME AND HOW

13 MUCH PROGRESS WE'VE MADE SINCE THE DARK DAYS WHEN THE PLAGUE

14 YEARS BEGAN IN THE 1980S. THE EARLIEST RECOGNIZED CASES OF

15 WHAT LATER BECAME KNOWN AS A.I.D.S. EMERGED IN 1981, FIRST

16 IDENTIFIED BY A U.C.L.A. RESEARCHER WHO NOTICED AN UNUSUAL

17 PATTERN OF RARE CANCERS OCCURRING IN CLUSTERS OF GAY MEN IN

18 METROPOLITAN AREAS OF NEW YORK, SAN FRANCISCO AND L.A. BUT IT

19 WAS SEVERAL YEARS BEFORE THE CAUSE WAS FIRMLY IDENTIFIED AS A

20 BLOOD-BORNE VIRUS AND TESTS DEVELOPED TO DETECT IT. BUT THERE

21 WAS NO VACCINATION, THERE WAS NO CURE, NO CONSISTENTLY

22 EFFECTIVE TREATMENT FOR WHAT WAS INEVITABLY A RAPID ONSET AND

23 FATAL INFECTION. THERE WAS FEAR, HOMOPHOBIA, DISCRIMINATION, A

24 LOT OF MISINFORMATION AND ISOLATION. MEDICAL COMMUNITIES

25 STRUGGLED TO COPE WITH THE GROWING PUBLIC HEALTH CATASTROPHE,

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1 BUT POLITICIANS OF THE DAY AND INDEED A GREAT MAJORITY OF THE
2 PUBLIC SIMPLY TURNED AWAY. THE L.G.B.T. COMMUNITY REALIZED
3 THAT IT WOULD HAVE TO CONFRONT THIS PLAGUE ON ITS OWN.
4 HEALTHCARE, SOCIAL SERVICE SUPPORT AND FINANCING EFFORTS
5 SLOWLY EMERGED TO ADDRESS THE CRISIS. AGAINST THIS BACKDROP,
6 CRAIG MILLER AND HIS THEN BUSINESS PARTNER RICHARD ZEICHEK PUT
7 ON THE FIRST A.I.D.S. WALKFUNDRAISING EVENT IN L.A. IN 1985 TO
8 BENEFIT A.I.D.S. PROJECT LOS ANGELES, A WAY FOR THE COMMUNITY,
9 ITS ALLIES AND FRIENDS TO DEMONSTRATE SOLIDARITY, INCREASE
10 VISIBILITY, GRIEVE TOGETHER AND MOVE FORWARD CONSTRUCTIVELY TO
11 BEAT BACK AN EXISTENTIAL THREAT TO THEIR VERY SURVIVAL.
12 COLLEAGUES, WE'VE COME A LONG WAY SINCE THEN. HOMOPHOBIA'S ON
13 THE WANE. SAME SEX MARRIAGE UNBELIEVABLY IS A CONSTITUTIONAL
14 RIGHT. NEW H.I.V. /A.I.D.S. INFECTIONS ARE DOWN DRAMATICALLY.
15 HERE AND ABROAD LIFESAVING TREATMENTS ALLOW H.I.V. POSITIVE
16 INDIVIDUALS TO LIVE HEALTHY LIVES FOR DECADES. THE DRUG
17 TRUVADA IS MORE THAN 95 PERCENT EFFECTIVE IN BLOCKING NEW
18 INFECTIONS. THE EMPHASIS IS ON EDUCATION AND PREVENTION, NOT
19 HOSPICE CARE ONLY. POSSIBLE TO FORESEE THE END TO THE A.I.D.S.
20 EPIDEMIC IN OUR LIFETIMES. SO TODAY PLEASE JOIN ME IN SALUTING
21 THE PEOPLE WHOSE COURAGE, COMMITMENT AND VISION HAVE HELPED
22 MAKE IT ALL POSSIBLE. THIS YEAR'S 31ST ANNUAL A.I.D.S. WALK
23 RAISED MORE THAN \$2.1 MILLION TO BENEFIT A.I.D.S. PROJECT LOS
24 ANGELES AND OTHER PROVIDERS AND ASSIST CLIENTS WITH
25 MEDICATION, TRANSPORTATION, FOOD, HOUSING, HOME CARE, MENTAL

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1 HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELING AND TREATMENT. TO ACCEPT
2 THE HONOR, I'M VERY PLEASED AND PROUD TO WELCOME TO THE DAIS,
3 CRAIG MILLER, A.I.D.S. WALK FOUNDER AND SENIOR ORGANIZER, BEN
4 FORDHAM, A.I.D.S. WALK L.A. EVENT DIRECTOR, CONNIE BROADHEAD,
5 TEAM COORDINATOR, CAROL WILLIAMS, COUNTY REGISTRAR-RECORDER'S
6 OFFICE, L.A. COUNTY A.I.D.S. WALK TEAMS. PLEASE GIVE THEM A
7 WARM AND WELL- DESERVED ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING MAYOR AND SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU SO
10 MUCH, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, FOR YOUR VERY KIND AND COMPREHENSIVE
11 WORDS. ABOUT 10 DAYS AGO, AS THE SUPERVISOR SAID, A.I.D.S.
12 PROJECT LOS ANGELES HELD THE 31ST A.I.D.S. WALK LOS ANGELES.
13 31 YEARS OF GATHERING IN THIS WAY AND LIFTING PEOPLE UP. AND I
14 THINK IT WAS-- IT PROVED MANY THINGS. AND AMONG THE THINGS IT
15 PROVED WAS THAT A GOOD TIME CAN INDEED BE HAD EVEN AFTER THE
16 AGE OF 30. IT ALSO SHOWED THROUGH ITS TREMENDOUS TURNOUT ON
17 SUCH A WARM DAY HOW COMMITTED THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
18 REMAIN TO THE ONGOING FIGHT AGAINST H.I.V. AND A.I.D.S. AND TO
19 TRULY SEEING THIS FIGHT THROUGH TO THE END OF THE EPIDEMIC
20 WHICH IS WITHIN OUR GRASP. I WANT TO JUST CLOSE BY SAYING IT'S
21 A PARTICULAR HONOR TO RECEIVE THIS RECOGNITION FROM SUPERVISOR
22 KUEHL, WHO FOR SO MANY YEARS NOW BOTH IN THE LEGISLATURE AND
23 NOW HERE HAVE DONE SO MUCH TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND TO
24 ENHANCE THE HEALTH OF THE PUBLIC ON PARTICULARLY THE L.G.B.T.

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1 COMMUNITY. THANK YOU, SO MUCH SUPERVISOR. PLEASURE TO BE HERE
2 WITH ALL OF YOU.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR? [APPLAUSE.]

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL, I JUST WANT YOU TO KNOW, YOU
9 HAVE A MEMBER OF YOUR STAFF THAT'S BEEN SOLICITING ME FOR
10 MANY, MANY YEARS FOR DONATIONS. I'VE BEEN WRITING CHECKS TO
11 JOEL BELLMAN. JOEL, HOW MANY YEARS HAVE YOU DONE IT?

12

13 **JOEL BELLMAN:** 25.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** 25 YEARS HE'S DONE THE WALK, SON CONGRATULATIONS.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** I'M SO GLAD THE SUPERVISOR POINTED OUT JOEL BELLMAN
18 AND CAROL WILLIAMS FROM THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER'S OFFICE, BOTH
19 OF WHOM HAVE BEEN SUCH A DRIVING FORCE BEHIND THE COUNTY'S
20 SUPPORT. THANK YOU, SIR. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THAT WAS VERY GOOD, SUPERVISOR KNABE.

23 BECAUSE IT'S TRUE, MR. BELLMAN SENDS LOTS OF EMAILS ONCE A
24 YEAR, SAYING, "OKAY, I'M WALKING AGAIN." 25 YEARS, THOUGH,

25 THAT'S QUITE A RECORD. THAT'S GREAT, JOEL. IT'S ALSO MY GREAT

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1 PLEASURE TODAY TO RECOGNIZE ASIAN-PACIFIC ISLANDER EQUALITY
2 L.A. YOU MAY APPROACH, AS THEY SAY. [LAUGHTER.] TODAY WE
3 CELEBRATE A DECADE OF EXTRAORDINARY GROUP BY A.P.I. EQUALITY.
4 AND WE HONOR ITS TWO CO-FOUNDERS, DOREENA WONG AND MARSHAL
5 WONG, WHO ACTUALLY ARE NOT RELATED, EXCEPT WE CAN SAY BROTHER
6 AND SISTER. AND INTERIM DIRECTOR, AMITA SWADHIN. A.P.I.
7 EQUALITY WAS FOUNDED IN 2005 WITH THE MISSION TO CREATE A
8 SOCIETY THAT CELEBRATES THE LOVES AND LIVES OF ALL PEOPLE,
9 FREE FROM DISCRIMINATION AND INJUSTICE. FOR 10 YEARS, A.P.I.
10 EQUALITY HAS BEEN TIRELESSLY ADVOCATING FOR THE FAIR TREATMENT
11 OF L.G.B.T. PEOPLE AND FOR MARRIAGE EQUALITY. WE HONOR THEM
12 FOR ONGOING EDUCATIONAL CAMPAIGNS ON A BROAD ARRAY OF SOCIAL
13 JUSTICE ISSUES FROM IMMIGRATION REFORM TO TRANSGENDER
14 EQUALITY. WE HONOR THEM FOR NURTURING YOUNG ACTIVISTS, FOR
15 BUILDING AN ORGANIZATION OF HUNDREDS OF MEMBERS ACROSS EVERY
16 ASIAN-PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITY ACROSS LINGUISTIC AND
17 PROFESSIONAL AND AGE AND GENDER DIVERSITY. AND WE HONOR THEM,
18 TOO, FOR A LITTLE TOLD STORY OF AN EXTRAORDINARY SUCCESS. IN
19 THE YEAR 2000, CALIFORNIANS VOTED 60 PERCENT TO 40 PERCENT IN
20 FAVOR OF PETE KNIGHT'S INITIATIVE, AN ANTIGAY MARRIAGE
21 PROPOSITION THAT WAS SOON OVERTURNED BY THE SUPREME COURT. BUT
22 IT WAS A PRECURSOR TO PROP A 8 YEARS LATER. CALIFORNIA'S
23 ASIAN-PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITIES VOTED FOR THAT ORIGINAL
24 PROPOSITION, PROP 22, BY 70 PERCENT TO 30 PERCENT. 10 POINTS
25 MORE THAN THE GENERAL POPULATION. THAT LOPSIDED VOTE ANGERED

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1 VETERAN A.P.I. ACTIVIST DOREENA WONG AND MARSHALL WONG AND
2 INSPIRED THEM TO MAP OUT A PLAN UNIQUE TO THEIR COMMUNITIES.
3 AND IN JUST THREE YEARS, FROM 2005 TO 2008, A.P.I. EQUALITY
4 LED THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TRANSFORMATION IN PUBLIC OPINION OF A
5 DEMOGRAPHIC GROUP IN HISTORY. IN 2008, A.P.I. VOTERS OPPOSED
6 THE ANTIGAY MARRIAGE PROP A BY 51 PERCENT TO 49 PERCENT. IT
7 WAS A SHIFT OF 21 PERCENT IN VOTERS' ATTITUDES. HOW DID A.P.I.
8 EFFECT THIS CHANGE? THEY LEVERAGED THEIR STRENGTHS. GETTING
9 KEY COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND CIVIC LEADERS WITHIN
10 EACH AND EVERY ONE OF 13 A.P.I. COMMUNITIES TO ENDORSE THEIR
11 POSITION. THEY MARCHED IN PARADES AS OUT GAY AND LESBIAN
12 COMMUNITY MEMBERS. THEY TOLD THEIR STORIES THROUGH THE VARIOUS
13 ETHNIC MEDIA OUTLETS. THEY TRANSLATED ALL THE MATERIALS INTO
14 VARIOUS LANGUAGES. THEY WERE UNAFRAID TO CONFRONT ANTI-GAY
15 RELIGIOUS GROUPS DIRECTLY AT RAUCOUS DEMONSTRATIONS OUTSIDE
16 CONSERVATIVE CHURCHES. IT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE AS MUCH FUN AS IT
17 WAS, BUT IT WAS REALLY FUN. THEY GOT CELEBRITIES AND POLITICAL
18 LEADERS TO SPEAK OUT AND THEY FOCUSED ON ONE MESSAGE. WHEN YOU
19 DEPRIVE ONE MINORITY GROUP OF RIGHTS, IT THREATENS ALL OTHER
20 MINORITIES. AND IT WORKED. PLEASE JOIN ME IN THANKING CO-
21 FOUNDERS MARSHALL WONG WHO ACTUALLY WORKS ON HATE CRIMES RIGHT
22 HERE WITH OUR VERY OWN COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION AND
23 DOREENA P. WONG, HELATH POLICY ATTORNEY WITH ASIANS ADVANCING
24 JUSTICE AND INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AMITA SWADHIN. PLEASE
25 APPLAUD THEIR COURAGEOUS WORK. [APPLAUSE.]

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2 **SPEAKER:** WELL, I WANT TO THANK-- WHOOPS, I'LL JUST TAKE THIS.

3 I WANT TO THANK THE MAYOR AND THE SUPERVISORS, ESPECIALLY

4 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, YOU OF COURSE HAVE BEEN, YOU KNOW, A HERO TO

5 ALL OF US AND AN INSPIRATION. AND THE REST OF THE BOARD OF

6 SUPERVISORS, THE STAFF AND THE PUBLIC. FIRST I WANT TO

7 CONGRATULATE THE A.I.D.S. WALK L.A. AND MY COLLEAGUES FOR THIS

8 HONOR. AND THE BOARD, RECOGNIZING OUR WORK IN THE ASIAN AND

9 PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITY DOING THIS EDUCATION WORK. AND

10 ESPECIALLY BECAUSE WE APPRECIATE THE BOARD'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT

11 AND THE RECOGNITION OF SUPPORTING GROUPS REPRESENTING THE

12 BROAD DIVERSITY IN THE L.G.B.T. COMMUNITY. AND LITTLE DID WE

13 KNOW 10 YEARS AGO THAT WE WOULD HAVE GROWN FROM AN ALL

14 VOLUNTEER HANDFUL OF ACTIVISTS IN 2005 TO BECOME, YOU KNOW, A

15 STAFF OF TWO FULL-TIME EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, COMMUNITY ORGANIZER

16 WITH DOZENS AND DOZENS OF VOLUNTEERS AND THOUSANDS ON OUR

17 MAILING LIST. BUT OUR SUCCESS IS REALLY DUE TO THE DEDICATED

18 VOLUNTEERS, THE DOZENS OF VOLUNTEERS THAT HAVE DONATED HOURS

19 AND HOURS OF GOING OUT INTO THE COMMUNITY TO DO THAT ONE-ON-

20 ONE EDUCATION, TO CHANGE THOSE HEARTS AND MINDS, TO WORK ON

21 THOSE RANGE OF ISSUES THAT YOU IDENTIFIED. AND AS YOU SAY, WE

22 TRIED TO BE THE LINK FOR THE L.G.B.T. COMMUNITY TO

23 UNDERREPRESENTED MINORITIES. BUT WE KNOW WE'VE COME A LONG

24 WAY. BUT WE KNOW THAT THERE'S A LOT OF WORK THAT'S YET TO BE

25 DONE. AND SO WE ARE IN IT FOR THE LONG HAUL. WE ARE GOING TO

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1 KEEP ON WORKING BECAUSE THERE'S STILL A LOT OF DISCRIMINATION
2 OUT THERE. THERE'S STILL A LOT OF ISSUES THAT AFFECT OUR
3 COMMUNITIES, ALL OF OUR COMMUNITIES. AND SO WE ARE-- BUT
4 ACTUALLY IT'S EVENTS LIKE THIS THAT HELP US RE-ENERGIZE US FOR
5 THE WORK AHEAD AND REINFORCE OUR COMMITMENT TO MAKE SURE THAT
6 ALL COMMUNITIES IN L.A. ARE, YOU KNOW, DESERVE THE FULL AND
7 EQUAL TREATMENT. AND SO I WANT TO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL
8 AND THE OTHER SUPERVISORS, FOR THIS GREAT HONOR. AND WE
9 COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOUR SUPPORT. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MEMBERS, TODAY IT'S AN HONOR TO
14 REPRESENT TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE COUNTY OF LOS
15 ANGELES THE NEW CONSUL GENERAL FOR THE CZECH REPUBLIC IN LOS
16 ANGELES, MICHAL SEDLACEK. HE FIRST TOOK OVER AS HEAD OF THE
17 CONSULATE IN 2011 FEBRUARY, WITH JURISDICTION OVER 13 WESTERN
18 STATES INCLUDING ALASKA, HAWAII, ACTIVELY PROMOTING BUSINESS
19 AND TRADE RELATIONS AND ESTABLISHING A STRONG CULTURAL
20 PRESENCE FOR HIS COUNTRY IN CALIFORNIA. A MONTH-LONG EXHIBIT
21 OF CONTEMPORARY CZECH ART CLOSED IN SANTA MONICA JUST TWO DAYS
22 AGO. THE CONSUL GENERAL SAID SOME OF HIS PROUDEST
23 ACCOMPLISHMENTS INCLUDE STARTING THE FIRST-EVER CZECH FILM
24 FESTIVAL IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY CALLED CZECH IN THAT FILM. IN
25 2013, HE HELPED LAUNCH THE PETROV MUSIC SERIES WHICH BRINGS

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1 ACCOMPLISHED CZECH MUSICIANS TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND THEN
2 IN 2014, HE LED THE CELEBRATIONS OF THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF
3 THE VELVET REVOLUTION AND THE END OF THE COMMUNIST
4 DICTATORSHIP IN WHAT WAS THEN CZECHOSLOVAKIA. HE HAS ALSO
5 IMPROVED COOPERATION WITH THE LOCAL CZECH-AMERICAN COMMUNITY
6 AND HELPED TO ESTABLISH THE FIRST CZECH LANGUAGE SCHOOL FOR
7 CHILDREN IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO ON BEHALF OF OUR 10 MILLION
8 CITIZENS, WE ARE PLEASED TO PRESENT THIS PLAQUE TO YOU AND TO
9 WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS IN YOUR DIPLOMATIC CAREER WHICH IS
10 GETTING PRETTY DICEY OVER THERE NOW AT THIS TIME. BUT THANK
11 YOU, CONSUL GENERAL. [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **HON. MICHAEL SEDLACEK:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU, MR.
14 MAYOR, THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. IT HAS BEEN FANTASTIC, 4-1/2
15 YEARS FOR ME IN LOS ANGELES. I WILL NEVER FORGET IT.
16 CALIFORNIA AND LOS ANGELES WAS ALWAYS VERY KIND TO ME. THE
17 WEATHER WAS BEAUTIFUL. NO EL NI O YET. SO IT WAS FANTASTIC
18 TIME. I'M REALLY GLAD WE WERE ABLE TO BRING SO MUCH CZECH
19 CULTURE TO L.A. COUNTY AND TO HELP LOCAL CZECH COMMUNITY WHICH
20 IS SIGNIFICANT TO SEE WHAT THE CZECH, CURRENT CZECH REPUBLIC
21 IS ABOUT. WE HAVE 10 MILLION PEOPLE, AS WELL, SO WE ARE A
22 LITTLE BIT AS L.A. COUNTY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND I WILL
23 ALWAYS REMEMBER LOS ANGELES.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR?

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2 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE TO
3 CALL UP KATHY GOULD WHO IS THE DIRECTOR OF THE PALOS VERDES
4 LIBRARY DISTRICT. ALSO ASKING THEIR BOARD OF TRUSTEES,
5 REPRESENTATIVES AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE
6 LIBRARY AND PENINSULA. IT'S MY PLEASURE TO RECOGNIZE KATHY FOR
7 NOT ONLY BEING SELECTED BY THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC LIBRARY
8 ADVOCATES GROUP TO RECEIVE THE 2015 C.P.L.A. AWARD FOR LIBRARY
9 DIRECTORS, BUT FOR ALL OF HER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE LIBRARY
10 DISTRICT IN PALOS VERDES AS WELL AS THE COMMUNITY FOR THE PAST
11 11 YEARS. THE DISTRICT IS AN INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT
12 GOVERNED BY A PUBLICLY ELECTED BOARD OF TRUSTEES. THEY OPERATE
13 THREE LIBRARIES AND A TEEN ANNEX. SHE OVERSEES 90 EMPLOYEES
14 AND OVER 200 VOLUNTEERS AND IS RESPONSIBLE FOR A \$7.4 MILLION
15 ANNUAL BUDGET. SHE WAS VERY INSTRUMENTAL IN TRANSFORMING THE
16 DISTRICT INTO A MODERN OPERATION. SHE ELEVATED THE DISTRICT'S
17 PRESENCE AND INVOLVEMENT IN THE COMMUNITY. SHE HAS SERVED AS
18 CHAIR OF THE PALOS VERDES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. WHAT DO YOU DO
19 IN YOUR FREE TIME? SHE ALSO SERVES ON THE BOARD OF THE
20 VOLUNTEER CENTER OF THE SOUTH BAY HARBOR LONG BEACH AND IS A
21 MEMBER OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, THE PALOS VERDES ARTS
22 CENTER, THE PALOS VERDES PENINSULA LAND CONSERVANCY, AS WELL
23 AS MANY OTHER STATEWIDE ORGANIZATIONS. THE DISTRICT WAS NAMED
24 A TOP WORKPLACE IN THE GREATER L.A. AREA BY THE L.A. NEWS
25 GROUP IN 2013 AND KATHY WAS ALSO NAMED THE LIBRARY

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1 ASSOCIATION'S MEMBER OF THE YEAR IN 2011. SHE'S A FOUR-TIME
2 MENTOR FOR THE EUREKA LEADERSHIP PROGRAM FOR EMERGING LIBRARY
3 LEADERS. KATHY'S HUSBAND DON IS ALSO A LIBRARIAN. HE'S A
4 COMMUNITY LIBRARY MANAGER FOR ONE OF THE BEST PUBLIC LIBRARY
5 ORGANIZATIONS IN THE NATION, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IT'S AN HONOR
6 TO BE ABLE TO PRESENT KATHY WITH THIS SCROLL AND THANK HER FOR
7 ALL THAT SHE HAS DONE TO NOT ONLY ELEVATE THE PALOS VERDES
8 LIBRARY AND THE DISTRICT BUT ON BEHALF OF HER MENTORING OVER
9 THE YEARS AND ALL SHE'S DONE IN THE COMMUNITY, WE WANT TO SAY
10 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **KATHERINE GOULD:** I JUST WANTED TO SAY THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR
13 KNABE WHO HAS BEEN VERY SUPPORTIVE NOT ONLY OF THE PALOS
14 VERDES LIBRARY DISTRICT BUT ALSO OF THAT OTHER LARGER LIBRARY
15 SYSTEM, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE SUPERVISOR REALLY DOES
16 UNDERSTAND, I THINK, WHAT LIBRARIES DO, THAT EVEN IN AN AGE OF
17 GOOGLE AND THE INTERNET, WE'RE STILL PLAYING A ROLE AS A PLACE
18 IN OUR COMMUNITIES WHERE WE'RE THE ONLY PLACE SOMETIMES THAT
19 EVERYBODY IS WELCOME, WHETHER YOU HAVE A HOME OR YOU DON'T
20 HAVE A HOME, WHATEVER YOUR ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCE IS, WHATEVER
21 YOUR BACKGROUND, CULTURAL BACKGROUND, YOU'RE WELCOME IN OUR
22 WALLS. WE SERVE EVERYBODY FROM THE FAMILIES WHO ARE TRYING TO
23 BUILD EARLY LITERACY SKILLS IN THEIR CHILDREN TO THE STUDENTS
24 WHO NEED HOMEWORK HELP TO THE TEENS WHO MAY BE QUESTIONING AND
25 HAVE ISSUES WITH THEIR GENDER IDENTITY OR THEIR SEXUAL

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1 IDENTITY AND NEED A SAFE PLACE FOR INFORMATION, TO THE ADULTS
2 WHO NEED ASSISTANCE WITH BUSINESSES AND RESUMES AND ALL THE
3 THINGS GROWNUPS DO TO THE SENIOR CITIZENS WHO TAKE ADVANTAGE
4 OF AGAIN OUR SAFE SPACES. I ALSO WANT TO SAY THAT I'M
5 ACCEPTING THIS AND ACCEPTING THE AWARD THAT I GOT FROM
6 C.P.L.A. REALLY ON BEHALF OF A TEAM. AND SO I'M PLEASED TO
7 HAVE UP HERE WITH ME THE PRESIDENT OF OUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES,
8 DEBBIE STIGURA, THE PRESIDENT OF THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY,
9 NANCY MAHER, AND OUR FINANCE DIRECTOR JULIE MADDOX BECAUSE
10 IT'S REALLY THE COMBINED EFFORTS OF OUR GOVERNING BOARD, OUR
11 SUPPORT GROUP, THE FRIENDS AND OUR STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS THAT
12 HAVE ALLOWED US TO PROVIDE OUTSTANDING LIBRARY SERVICES. SO
13 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S IT FOR ME, MR. MAYOR.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THAT'S IT? TODAY WE'RE GOING TO
18 RECOGNIZE THE 31ST ANNUAL PARTICIPATION OF THE MARCH OF DIMES
19 TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH OF MOTHERS AND YOUNG CHILDREN. A SPECIAL
20 YEAR WAS 2015 AS THE COUNTY IS RECOGNIZED AS THE NUMBER ONE
21 PUBLIC SECTOR TEAM IN THE NATION, RAISING OVER \$319,000. FROM
22 THE MARCH OF DIMES WE HAVE WITH US MOLLY MORRISEY, REGIONAL
23 DIRECTOR VICTOR GUZMAN AND WE WILL RECOGNIZE OUR TOP
24 DEPARTMENTS, COORDINATORS, WALKERS, WHO HELP MAKE THIS
25 ACCOMPLISHMENT POSSIBLE. TOP DEPARTMENTS AND COORDINATORS, THE

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1 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, DIRECTOR SHERYL SPILLER,
2 COORDINATOR ALMA GUADALUPE. THEY RAISED \$70,000. INTERNAL
3 SERVICES DEPARTMENT, \$25,000. CHIEF DEPUTY DAVID CHRISTIAN AND
4 COORDINATOR MIKE MEDRANO. THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE \$6,000. C.E.O.
5 SACHI HAMAI AND COORDINATOR MARINA HERNANDEZ. DEPARTMENT OF
6 REGIONAL PLANNING, \$1,200. CHIEF DEPUTY DENNIS SLAVIN AND
7 COORDINATOR EDDIE YIP.. AND THE COUNTY'S TOP WALKERS RAISED
8 \$54,563. MAY GAETAN JACOB. ON BEHALF OF ALFRED GONZALEZ WITH
9 D.P.S.S. AND CAROL WILLIAMS REGISTRAR-RECORDER AND FRANCIS
10 GODOY WITH THE D.P.S.S. SO LET ME GIVE THIS TO THE EXECUTIVE
11 OFFICE. [LAUGHTER.] SURPRISE. OKAY. THIS IS MORE IMPORTANT.
12 THIS IS \$319,000 CHECK ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
13 TO MOLLY AND THE MARCH OF DIMES. [APPLAUSE.] REGIONAL DIRECTOR
14 VICTOR GUZMAN?

15

16 **SPEAKER:** OKAY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR HAVING US. IT'S A
17 PLEASURE TO BE HERE AND ACKNOWLEDGE LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS THE
18 NUMBER ONE CITY AND COUNTY TEAM ACROSS THE COUNTRY NATIONWIDE
19 FOR MARCH OF DIMES AND MARCH FOR BABIES. IN FACT, LOS ANGELES
20 COUNTY HAS HELD THE NUMBER ONE SPOT FOR MARCH OF DIMES
21 NATIONWIDE SINCE 2007. THE \$319,000 RAISED BY COUNTY
22 EMPLOYEES, THEIR FRIENDS AND FAMILIES IS ABSOLUTELY
23 PHENOMENAL. SINCE 2002, L.A. COUNTY HAS RAISED AN ASTOUNDING
24 \$4.5 MILLION TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH OF MOMS AND BABIES
25 NATIONWIDE. BEING BORN TOO SOON CAN OFTEN BE FATAL. PREMATURE

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1 BIRTH IS THE NUMBER ONE CAUSE OF DEATH IN CHILDREN UNDER 5 AND
2 IS THE BIGGEST PUBLIC INFANT HEALTH PROBLEM FACING OUR COUNTRY
3 TODAY. MARCH OF DIMES CAMPAIGN TO END PREMATURE BIRTHS
4 REPRESENTS A COMMITMENT THAT MATCHES THE SIZE AND GRAVITY OF
5 THE PROBLEM. THE CAMPAIGN INCLUDES GROUNDBREAKING RESEARCH,
6 COMMUNITY HEALTH EDUCATION FOR UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS AND
7 SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES WHOSE BABIES ARE BORN TOO SOON. IN FACT,
8 1 IN 28 BABIES BORN ACROSS THE COUNTRY IS BORN RIGHT HERE IN
9 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO YOUR SUPPORT NOT ONLY IMPACTS THE
10 BABIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY BUT MAKES A HUGE IMPACT IN OUR OWN
11 COMMUNITY. WE ARE SO GRATEFUL FOR YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT AND
12 THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF BABIES AND MOMS EVERYWHERE. THANK YOU.
13 [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **SPEAKER:** MICHAEL ANTONOVICH, ON BEHALF OF THE MARCH OF DIMES
16 REGIONAL AND NATIONAL OFFICE, I'D LIKE TO PRESENT YOU THIS
17 WONDERFUL BANNER TO BE DISPLAYED.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IF YOU CAN'T SEE THE CAMERA, THEY
20 CAN'T SEE YOU. EVERYBODY AT HOME WATCHING ON TELEVISION WILL
21 SAY, "WHERE ARE THEY?" WHO WANTS TO HOLD THE CHECK?

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE THE L.A.
24 DRAGON BOATS SPORTS TEAM, THE RACING TEAM FOR PARTICIPATING IN
25 THE 2015 INTERNATIONAL CANOE FEDERATION DRAGON BOAT WORLD

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1 CHAMPIONSHIP RACE IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC. AND OUR CONSUL
2 GENERAL IS JUST RETIRING FROM THE CZECH REPUBLIC AND THE NEW
3 ONE COMING NEXT WEEK, OR AT THE END OF THE MONTH. THIS YEAR'S
4 RACE FEATURED DRAGON BOAT TEAMS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD,
5 INCLUDING HONG KONG, GERMANY AND RUSSIA. DRAGON BOAT RACING
6 HAD ITS ORIGIN IN CHINA, ANCIENT CHINA, WHERE IT WAS PRACTICED
7 FOR CULTURAL AND RELIGIOUS PURPOSES. IT IS NOW PRACTICED AS A
8 COMPETITIVE SPORT AND A GREAT WAY TO ACHIEVE AND STAY HEALTHY
9 AND ACTIVE. AND WE HAVE OUR MANAGER DR. HOWARD CHIN AND
10 JOINING US WITH SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SHE'S GOING TO SAY A
11 COUPLE WORDS HERSELF.

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I'M
14 DELIGHTED TO BE HERE AND SO PROUD TO JOIN WITH MAYOR
15 ANTONOVICH IN RECOGNIZING A VERY SPECIAL GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO
16 PROUDLY REPRESENT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY AT THE INTERNATIONAL
17 LEVEL. AND ALSO THOSE THAT HELPED TO FACILITATE THE LOS
18 ANGELES DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL THAT WAS HELD JUST THIS LAST
19 WEEKEND IN OUR DISTRICT IN WHITTIER NARROWS AT LEGG LAKE. IT
20 WAS INCREDIBLE. I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW JOYFUL EVERYBODY WAS. AND
21 JUST TO KNOW THAT OUR COUNTY FAMILY WAS SO WELL REPRESENTED,
22 INCLUDING MY OWN OFFICE, TEAM SOLIS. SO I HAVE TO GIVE THEM A
23 SHOUTOUT BECAUSE THEY WENT OUT AND WERE TRYING TO WIN SOME
24 PRIZES. BUT IT'S OKAY. THEY CAN TRY NEXT YEAR. [LAUGHTER.] THE
25 DRAGON BOAT RACING HAS ITS ORIGINS IN SOUTHERN CHINA AS A FOLK

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1 RITUAL PART OF DUANWU FESTIVAL. IT IS NOW A SPORT THAT'S
2 PRACTICED WORLDWIDE BY MANY, MANY COUNTRIES. THE L.A. DRAGON
3 BOAT TEAM INCLUDES MANY COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE ALSO FORMED
4 SEVERAL COUNTY DEPARTMENTAL DRAGON BOATING TEAMS TO PROMOTE
5 CAMARADERIE AND FITNESS. THEY RECENTLY REPRESENTED THE UNITED
6 STATES AT THE 2015 I.C.F. DRAGON BOAT CLUB CREW WORLD
7 CHAMPIONSHIP IN CZECH REPUBLIC WHERE THEY QUALIFIED FOR THE
8 SEMIFINALS FOR ALL EVENTS. THEY WERE THE SMALLEST TEAM BUT
9 OBVIOUSLY VERY MIGHTY. I EXTEND MY CONGRATULATIONS TO THE L.A.
10 DRAGON BOAT TEAM AND ITS COACHES FOR REPRESENTING OUR COUNTRY
11 AND OUR COUNTY AT THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL. THANK YOU,
12 EVERYONE, FOR YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS. RA CHI SEI, GOOD LUCK.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** OKAY. FIRST I WANT TO THANK YOU, MAYOR, SUPERVISORS
15 OF THE COUNTY AND V.I.P. GUESTS. THIS IS THE OWNER OF OUR TEAM
16 HERE. I'M FOR THE BOARD FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CANOE
17 FEDERATION, THE BOARD MEMBER FOR NORTH AMERICA AND SOUTH
18 AMERICA. YOU KNOW THE DRAGON BOAT SPORTS ORIGINALLY FROM
19 CHINA. BUT WE USE THIS SPORT NOT JUST FOR COMPETITION ANYMORE.
20 WE USE IT FOR THE L.A. COUNTY IS BIGGEST MULTICULTURAL, MULTI-
21 ETHNIC I THINK, IN THE WHOLE WORLD. WE USE THIS SPORT TO MAKE
22 OUR COMMUNITY UNITED AND MORE HARMONY. SOME OTHER TEAM IS ONLY
23 50 MEMBERS BUT COME FROM 26 COUNTRIES. I DON'T THINK ANY OTHER
24 SPORTS, ANY EVENTS CAN DO THIS. SO THIS TIME WE INVITED
25 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, ACTUALLY LOS ANGELES, TO SEND A TEAM. SO

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1 I RECRUITED THE TEAM BUT MOST I GUESS ARE THE COUNTY WORKERS.
2 SO WE WANT TO JUST CHECK ON CZECHO. CZECHO, I'VE NEVER BEEN
3 THERE, RACICE, CZECHO AND PRAGUE. WE DIDN'T WIN ANY GOLD
4 MEDAL, BUT I GUESS OUR TEAM WIN A LOT OF RESPECT AND A LOT OF,
5 YOU KNOW, THE FRIENDSHIP. USUALLY I TOOK A U.S. TEAM. IT'S
6 VERY HARD TO WIN ANYTHING IN EUROPE, BUT WE WON A LOT OF
7 FRIENDSHIP. SO EVERYBODY KNOWS LOS ANGELES RIGHT NOW. SO I
8 WANT TO THANK YOU, BOARD, THE COUNTY, ESPECIALLY AS SOLIS
9 AWARE, AS SUPERVISOR AWARE, GET A LOT OF SUPPORT. I HOPE
10 PRETTY SOON OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY WILL BE THE MOST ACTIVE
11 DRAGON BOAT SPORT IN THE WHOLE WORLD. SO WE WILL BE THE
12 CAPITAL OF THE DRAGON BOAT. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SPEAKER:** WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK AGAIN ALL THE SUPERVISORS FOR
15 THEIR SUPPORT FOR US COUNTY EMPLOYEES BEING PART OF THE DRAGON
16 BOAT TEAM. AND, IN FACT, ONE OF THE PARKS OF L.A. COUNTY, AT
17 SANTA FE DAM, IS CURRENTLY BEING USED AS TRAINING FACILITY FOR
18 THE U.S. NATIONAL TEAM. AND IT'S AN HONOR TO BE ONE OF THE
19 COACHES FOR THE U.S. NATIONAL TEAM AND TO HAVE IT IN OUR OWN
20 TURF, IN L.A. COUNTY, AN L.A. COUNTY PARK. SO THANK YOU TO THE
21 PARKS' STAFF AND TO ALL OF L.A. COUNTY. AND FOR THE VERY LAST
22 ANNOUNCEMENT, I BELIEVE SOMEBODY IS CELEBRATING HER BIRTHDAY
23 TODAY. AND IF WE DO HAVE SOMETHING FOR SUPERVISOR SOLIS.
24 [LAUGHTER.]

25

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1 **SPEAKER:** OUR TEAM WANTS TO PRESENT A PADDLE. SO HOPEFULLY,
2 SUPERVISOR SOLIS CAN USE THIS PADDLE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
3 KEEP IT GOING STRAIGHT AND FORWARD?

4

5 **SPEAKER:** MY TEAM. MY TEAM, RAZOR BLADES. LET'S GO. LET'S DO IT
6 AGAIN. IN AND OUT. HEADS UP! IN AND OUT. HEADS UP. HUH! THANK
7 YOU.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** NOW I GOT TO USE IT.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE HAVE LITTLE CHIP WHO IS 12
12 WEEKS OLD, A LITTLE BOY. YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4610. AND YOU'LL
13 SEE CHIP IN A SECOND. YOU HAVE TO GET THROUGH THE DRAGONS.
14 THIS IS LITTLE CHIP. 12 WEEKS OLD. IF ANYBODY FROM DISNEY IS
15 WATCHING, I'M SURE THEY'RE GOING TO BE CALLING, AS WELL. SO,
16 ANYWAY, CHIP'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. ANYBODY WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT
17 THIS LITTLE BOY, YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4610. LITTLE CHIP WILL
18 BRING A LOT OF LOVE. WHAT DO YOU THINK, MARY? CHIP JUST TOLD
19 ME HE LIKES TO RIDE IN RED PORSCHEs. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

20

21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MAYOR ANTONOVICH. I WANTED TO
22 READ IN A MOTION, IF I MIGHT. AND THIS IS A MOTION THAT I WILL
23 READ IN TODAY BUT WE'LL VOTE ON IT NEXT TIME WE MEET ON
24 SEPTEMBER THE 27TH. AND I ALSO HAVE SOME FOLKS IN THE AUDIENCE
25 THAT I JUST WANT TO INTRODUCE. I WON'T ASK THEM TO SPEAK

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1 BECAUSE WE'LL EXPECT THEM TO COME BACK LATER. BUT, MR. MAYOR,
2 I'D LIKE TO RAISE AN ISSUE THAT GREATLY AFFECTS MANY OF THE
3 RESIDENTS IN THE FIRST DISTRICT, INCLUDING SEVERAL AREAS,
4 SMALLER CITIES IN THE SOUTHEAST AS WELL AS BOYLE HEIGHTS. AS
5 MY BOARD COLLEAGUES KNOW, THE EXIDE BATTERY RECYCLING PLANT IN
6 VERNON OPERATED FOR 33 YEARS WITHOUT A PROPER PERMIT FROM THE
7 STATE ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCY. THE TOXIC WASTE SPEWED FROM ITS
8 SMOKE STACKS HAVE ALREADY DIRECTLY EXPOSED 100,000 COUNTY
9 RESIDENTS TO ARSENIC, BENZENE AND LEAD. THESE RESIDENTS WILL
10 LIVE WITH AN INCREASED CHANCE OF CANCER UP TO 250 TIMES NORMAL
11 FOR THE REST OF THEIR LIVES. EVEN THOUGH THE PLANT HAS CEASED
12 OPERATIONS, THE LEAD IS STILL IN THE GROUND AND IN THE HOUSES
13 AND IT CONTINUES TO POSE SIGNIFICANT HEALTH RISKS. THEIR KIDS
14 CAN'T PLAY IN THEIR YARDS WITHOUT RISKING THEIR OWN HEALTH.
15 I'VE SEEN THESE FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITIES. TIME AND TIME
16 AGAIN I MEET THESE FAMILIES WHOSE CHILDREN HAVE DEVELOPMENTAL
17 DISABILITIES AND COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENTS. I'VE ASKED SOME OF THE
18 FAMILIES TO JOIN WITH ME TODAY. I'D LIKE TO BRIEFLY JUST MAKE
19 AN INTRODUCTION. I WON'T HAVE THEM SPEAK AT THIS TIME. MR.
20 ANTHONY GUTIERREZ WHO IS SITTING HERE IN THE FRONT. IF HE CAN
21 PLEASE STAND AND BE RECOGNIZED, AT LEAST. HE'S TRAVELED FROM
22 BOYLE HEIGHTS TO BE HERE. THANK YOU FOR COMING, ANTHONY.
23 [APPLAUSE.] YOU CAN BE SEATED, ANTHONY. AS YOU CAN TELL, HE
24 LOOKS LIKE A VERY YOUTHFUL YOUNG MAN. BUT SURPRISINGLY, HE'S
25 25 YEARS OLD. HE LOOKS LIKE HE'S 15 BUT HE'S 25 YEARS OLD.

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1 TONY CONTRACTED CANCER AND OTHER MEDICAL PROBLEMS AT THE
2 TENDER AGE OF 17. TONY WAS FIRST EXPOSED TO LEAD AND OTHER
3 CHEMICALS POURING OUT OF EXIDE'S PLANT WHEN HE WAS STILL IN
4 HIS MOTHER'S WOMB. HE WAS FIRST DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER AT THE
5 AGE OF 17. TONY HAS HAD BRAIN AND SPINAL SURGERY TO REMOVE
6 MALIGNANT TUMORS FROM HIS BODY. HIS SPINE IS NOW DEFORMED AND
7 GETTING WORSE. HE HAS CONTRACTED ALSO DIABETES. HE HAS HAD
8 MULTIPLE OPERATIONS. THE DOCTORS TOLD HIM THAT HE SHOULDN'T
9 EVEN BE ALIVE TODAY. THE MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION TOOK HIM AND
10 HIS FAMILY TO HAWAII THINKING THAT HE PROBABLY WOULDN'T
11 SURVIVE. BUT HE IS LIVING PROOF OF WHAT EXIDE HAS DONE TO
12 PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY. TONY, I KNOW THAT YOU HAVE BEEN
13 THROUGH A LONG JOURNEY. AND I KNOW THAT YOU ARE A MAN OF
14 COURAGE. AND I WANT TO PERSONALLY APPLAUD YOU FOR YOUR VALOR.
15 AND I KNOW THAT YOUR BROTHER MIKE, WHO IS ALSO HERE WITH YOU
16 TODAY, THANK YOU, MIKE, FOR BRINGING YOUR BROTHER ALONG. TONY
17 WANTS TO SHARE HIS STORY WITH US. AND I'VE INVITED HIM TO COME
18 BACK NEXT WEEK SO HE CAN DO SO PUBLICLY FOR THE RECORD. PLEASE
19 GIVE TONY AND HIS FAMILY A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] I
20 ALSO WANT TO RECOGNIZE ONE OTHER PERSON WHO IS IN THE AUDIENCE
21 AND SHE IS SOMEONE WHO I MET ON ONE OF OUR PUBLIC HEARINGS ON
22 EXIDE SEVERAL MONTHS AGO. HER NAME IS AMELIA VALLEJO. SHE'S
23 LIVED IN EAST LOS ANGELES SINCE SHE WAS THREE YEARS OLD. HER
24 DAD TOOK CARE OF HER FAMILY WHILE SHE WAS BEING RAISED. SHE
25 STARTED TO ALSO GET DIAGNOSED WITH ILLNESSES EARLY IN HIS

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1 LIFE. TODAY HER FATHER IS VERY ILL AND UNABLE TO WALK. AMELIA
2 AND HER HUSBAND JOSE HAVE BEEN MARRIED FOR 26 YEARS. THEY'VE
3 LIVED IN EAST LOS ANGELES SINCE 2002 WHEN THEY BECAME
4 HOMEOWNERS. THEY HAVE SIX BEAUTIFUL CHILDREN. ALL OF HER
5 CHILDREN HAVE BEEN BORN PREMATURE AND ALL HAVE ASTHMA,
6 INCLUDING HER YOUNGEST SON MICHAEL WHO I HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO
7 MEET. MICHAEL IS DEPICTED IN THE PICTURE BEFORE YOU. HE'S FOUR
8 YEARS OLD. HE'S DEAF AND HAS REQUIRED EAR AND EYE SURGERY.
9 BOTH HIS HANDS AND FEET NEED BRACES. AS OF NOW, MICHAEL
10 DOESN'T KNOW ABOUT BOUNDARIES. HE HAS PROVEN TO HIMSELF THAT
11 HE CAN BE THE BEST THAT HE CAN BE. AMELIA, PLEASE STAND AND BE
12 RECOGNIZED, ALSO. THANK YOU, MRS. VALLEJO. [APPLAUSE.] I WANT
13 TO COMMEND HER AND HER FAMILY FOR HANDLING SUCH ADVERSITY WITH
14 STRENGTH AND GRACE. AMELIA WILL BE AT OUR NEXT BOARD MEETING
15 ALSO TO SHARE HER PERSONAL STORY WITH US. THANK YOU, AMELIA,
16 AND TO YOUR FAMILY FOR HAVING THE COURAGE TO FIGHT ON AND TO
17 SHOW UP AND SPEAK ABOUT WHAT EXIDE HAS DONE TO YOU AND OUR
18 COMMUNITY ON THAT EVENING THAT I MET YOU SEVERAL MONTHS AGO.
19 MUCHAS GRACIAS. [APPLAUSE.] IF YOU COULD TURN THE LIGHTS BACK
20 ON, PLEASE. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, I'D LIKE TO READ IN THE
21 FOLLOWING MOTION SO THAT WE CAN MOVE FORWARD FOR NEXT WEEK.
22 AND I'D LIKE TO SUBMIT THIS AT THIS TIME. "THE EXIDE BATTERY
23 RECYCLING PLANT IN VERNON OPERATED FOR 33 YEARS WITHOUT A
24 PROPER PERMIT FROM THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCY KNOWN AS THE
25 DEPARTMENT OF TOXIC AND SUBSTANCE CONTROL. TOXIC EMISSIONS

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1 FROM THAT FACILITY, INCLUDING LEAD, ARSENIC, BENZENE,
2 BUTADIENE AND OTHER POISONOUS CHEMICALS HAVE IMPACTED WELL
3 OVER 100,000 RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY INCLUDING THOSE
4 LIVING AND WORKING IN COMMUNITIES OF VERNON, MAYWOOD, SOUTH
5 GATE, CUDAHY, HUNTINGTON PARK, COMMERCE, BOYLE HEIGHTS, BELL,
6 MONTEBELLO AND EAST LOS ANGELES. THESE MEN AND WOMEN AND
7 CHILDREN WILL LIVE THE REST OF THEIR LIVES WITH A HEIGHTENED
8 RISK OF CANCER, ESTIMATED IN SOME CASES TO BE AS HIGH AS 200
9 TIMES THE NORMAL RISK. THEIR HOMES AND YARDS ARE CONTAMINATED
10 WITH LEAD THIS CONTINUES TO PLACE THEM AT RISK EVERY SINGLE
11 DAY. CHILDREN PLAY SOCCER AND RIDE BICYCLES AND SCOOTERS IN
12 YARDS FILLED WITH LEAD-CONTAMINATED DIRT. THAT DIRT GETS
13 TRACKED INTO THEIR HOMES FROM THEIR SHOES. ALL AROUND THE
14 COMMUNITY I HAVE ENCOUNTERED FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN WHO HAVE
15 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND COGNITIVE IMPAIRMENTS. THOUGH
16 SOME OF THESE HARMS CAN NEVER BE MENDED, WE MUST DO EVERYTHING
17 THAT WE CAN TO MITIGATE PAST AND PREVENT FUTURE HARM. THESE
18 CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES DESERVE TO ENJOY PLAYING OUTSIDE
19 WITHOUT PUTTING THEIR HEALTH AT RISK. IT'S TROUBLING THAT
20 D.T.S.C., WHICH HAS THE LEGAL JURISDICTION OVER ENVIRONMENTAL
21 REGULATION AND CLEANUP IN CALIFORNIA, HAS NOT MOVED WITH MORE
22 URGENCY TO RECTIFY THE SITUATION. THE SAME IS TRUE FOR EXIDE
23 OR OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES WITH THE AUTHORITY TO FORCE
24 ACTION. TO DATE, ONLY 44 OF THE 216 HOMES IDENTIFIED AS
25 CONTAMINATED HAVE BEEN CLEARED INSIDE AND OUT. THE D.T.S.C.

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1 ADMITS THAT FURTHER TESTING IS LIKELY TO IDENTIFY BETWEEN
2 5,000 TO 10,000 MORE CONTAMINATED HOMES. THE REALITY IS THAT
3 THE MORE THAT THE SCALE OF THE DISASTER IS REVEALED, THE MORE
4 LEGAL LIABILITY THE RESPONSIBLE PARTIES FACE. THE COUNTY'S
5 EFFORTS TO DATE HAVE NOT CATALYZED THE URGENT CLEANUP THAT
6 THESE FAMILIES NEED. SINCE 2013, THE COUNTY HAS PASSED FIVE
7 MOTIONS AND SENT THE GOVERNOR A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER. THE
8 COUNTY AND THE PEOPLE THAT DEPEND ON IT CAN'T WAIT ANY LONGER.
9 THE TOTAL PRICE TAG FOR CLEANUP AND REMEDIATION COULD BE AS
10 HIGH AS \$500 MILLION. AND IT IS THUS IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE COUNTY
11 TO UNDERTAKE THIS TASK ALONE. BUT THERE ARE ACTIONS THAT THE
12 COUNTY CAN TAKE NOW THAT WILL IMMEDIATELY HELP OUR RESIDENTS
13 WHILE D.T.S.C., EXIDE AND OTHERS MUST EVENTUALLY TAKE FULL
14 RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS ENVIRONMENTAL DISASTER. WE CAN'T WAIT
15 FOR THAT TO HAPPEN. WE NEED TO MOVE URGENTLY TO PROTECT THE
16 HEALTH OF THESE FAMILIES. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF
17 SUPERVISORS, NUMBER ONE, DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
18 HEALTH, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
19 AND THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO UNDERTAKE THE FOLLOWING
20 ACTIONS: TO RETAIN ANY CONSULTANTS AND/OR CONTRACTORS
21 NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THESE ACTIONS AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$2
22 MILLION. GIVEN THE URGENCY OF THE HEALTH NEEDS IN THE
23 COMMUNITY, SUCH CONSULTANTS AND/OR CONTRACTORS MUST BE
24 CONTRACTED ON A SOLE- SOURCE BASIS. A, FACILITATE THE
25 APPROPRIATE CLEANUP TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE COUNTY HEALTH

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1 OFFICER BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE HOUSE. OF THE REMAINING
2 APPROXIMATELY 170 ALREADY IDENTIFIED HOMES BY TAKING ACTIONS
3 INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO DEPLOYING D.H.S. COMMUNITY HEALTH
4 WORKERS, KNOWN AS PROMOTORAS TO CONDUCT CULTURALLY AND
5 LINGUISTICALLY APPROPRIATE OUTREACH AND EDUCATION TO RESIDENTS
6 AND TO LIAISON BETWEEN THOSE RESIDENTS, D.T.S.C. AND EXIDE TO
7 FACILITATE COMPREHENSIVE CLEANING, LEVERAGING THE VOUCHERS
8 THAT HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY DISTRIBUTED FOR THE CLEANUP
9 INCLUDING ENSURING THAT THESE VOUCHERS ARE SUFFICIENT TO COVER
10 THE FULL COST OF APPROPRIATE CLEANUP. IDENTIFY CONTAMINATED
11 AREAS BY CONDUCTING A RAPID ASSESSMENT OF POTENTIALLY AFFECTED
12 HOUSES, BUSINESSES AND PUBLIC PROPERTIES WITHIN 45 DAYS. USE
13 THIS DATA TO EVALUATE THE EXTENT OF THE CONTAMINATION AROUND
14 THE EXIDE FACILITY AND ASSESS THE POPULATION LEVEL HEALTH
15 IMPACTS AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD IN 60 DAYS WITH A
16 DESCRIPTION OF THE ACTIONS REQUIRED FOR FULL CLEANUP, A
17 TIMELINE IN WHICH SUCH ACTIONS WOULD REASONABLY BE EXPECTED TO
18 BE COMPLETED, A STRATEGY FOR CAUSING D.T.S.C., EXIDE AND OTHER
19 RESPONSIBLE PARTIES TO FULLY FUND AND UNDERTAKE THIS CLEANUP,
20 LAUNCH A COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CAMPAIGN TO MITIGATE PAST AND
21 FUTURE HARM TO CURRENT AND FORMER RESIDENTS AFFECTED BY EXIDE
22 CONTAMINATION AND TO ALSO REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD IN 45 DAYS
23 WITH A DETAILED EVALUATION OF ALL ACTIVITIES COMPLETED IN
24 ACCORDANCE WITH THIS DIRECTIVE. THIS CAMPAIGN SHOULD INCLUDE A
25 BILINGUAL, CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE PUBLIC INFORMATION CAMPAIGN

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1 TO EDUCATE RESIDENTS ON EXPOSURE REDUCTION PRACTICES, ACCESS
2 TO HEALTH SCREENINGS AND SERVICES AS WELL AS INDIVIDUAL
3 CONSULTATIONS WITH APPROPRIATE CLINICIANS FROM D.H.S., D.M.H.
4 AND D.P.H. THE PROVISIONS OF RELEVANT INFORMATION, RESOURCES,
5 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND COORDINATION OF SERVICE TO AREA
6 SCHOOLS, CLINICS AND HOSPITALS AS WELL AS COMMUNITY AND FAITH-
7 BASED ORGANIZATIONS; AND, SECOND, DIRECT COUNTY COUNSEL TO
8 PRESENT TO THIS BOARD IN ONE WEEK'S TIME WITH RECOMMENDATIONS
9 FOR A MORE AGGRESSIVE LEGAL STRATEGY THAN HENCEFORTH TAKEN BY
10 THE COUNTY. COUNTY COUNSEL SHOULD CONSIDER POTENTIAL LEGAL
11 ACTION AGAINST ALL RESPONSIBLE PARTIES, INCLUDING BUT NOT
12 LIMITED TO EXIDE AND ITS RESPONSIBLE CORPORATE OFFICERS AND,
13 THREE, DIRECT THE C.E.O. TO IDENTIFY \$2 MILLION IN FUNDING TO
14 BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR THE ABOVE PURPOSES. IDENTIFY ALL
15 AVAILABLE FUNDING RESOURCES APPROPRIATE AND AVAILABLE TO USE
16 FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE CLEANUP AND REMEDIATION AND REPORT BACK TO
17 THE BOARD IN 30 DAYS." THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I LOOK FORWARD TO
18 HEARING FROM OUR COMMUNITY AT NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING ON
19 THIS ITEM. AND I THANK MRS. VALLEJO AND ALSO FOR OUR
20 INDIVIDUALS THAT CAME REPRESENTING OUR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.
21 AND I'M SORRY THAT IT TOOK SO LONG.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET US MOVE TO THE HELD ITEMS.

24

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1 **AVIANNA URIBE, ACTING ASS'T. EXEC. OFCR.:** MEMBERS OF THE
2 PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT AND THE BOARD'S INTENT TO ENCOURAGE
3 THE PUBLIC'S PARTICIPATION IN TODAY'S BOARD HEARING. THE RIGHT
4 OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED WITH THE
5 NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE WITH THE
6 ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS ON BEHALF OF THE PUBLIC
7 OR THE ABILITY OF OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE
8 BOARD. THE FOLLOWING CODE OF CONDUCT IS OPERATIVE DURING
9 TODAY'S BOARD HEARING AND ALL ARE REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE
10 FOLLOWING RULES: SPEAKERS MUST CEASE SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN
11 THEIR TIME IS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST
12 RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC
13 COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE
14 BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE RIGHT TO ENGAGE
15 WITH A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF. PLEASE REMAIN
16 RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM AND REFRAIN FROM UTTERING, WRITING OR
17 DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL, THREATENING, DEROGATORY,
18 DEMEANING OR OTHER ABUSIVE STATEMENTS TOWARD THE BOARD, ANY
19 MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF OR OTHER PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE
20 SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF
21 AND BOARD MEMBERS AND MAY NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE OR
22 OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY CONDUCT OF THE BOARD MEETING. A
23 PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS
24 SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE BOARD MEETING. IF YOU
25 WITNESS CONDUCT OR BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

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1 THAT DISRUPTS YOUR ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN
2 THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT AT ARMS OR OTHER
3 COUNTY STAFF. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL, YOU HELD ITEM 12 AND
6 40.

7

8 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I ASKED FOR ITEM 12
9 TO BE HELD SO I COULD ASK A FEW QUESTIONS OF COUNTY COUNSEL,
10 IF THAT'S ALLOWED. THIS RELATES TO TWO POSITIONS TO THE
11 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND THE DESCRIPTION OF THE POSITIONS
12 INDICATES THAT THE SHERIFF WILL LOOK TO THESE PEOPLE TO GIVE
13 SOME ADVICE ON, AS HE PUT IT, CONSTITUTIONAL POLICING. SO I
14 GUESS MY QUESTIONS FOR YOU RELATE-- I HAVE THREE. ARE THE
15 POSITIONS ONLY TO BE FILLED BY ATTORNEYS?

16

17 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. YES. THE
18 CONSTITUTIONAL POLICING ADVISER POSITION IS AN UNCLASSIFIED
19 POSITION. NO, YOU CAN HAVE A J.D. DEGREE, BUT THAT IS NOT A
20 REQUIREMENT OF THE POSITION. AND, IN FACT, WE WOULD NOT
21 RECOGNIZE IT AS AN ATTORNEY ITEM IN THE CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM
22 OF THE COUNTY.

23

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1 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** BECAUSE AN ATTORNEY ITEM WOULD BE SOMEONE
2 THAT FOR INSTANCE IN YOUR SHOP THAT WOULD BE REPRESENTING THE
3 COUNTY, ET CETERA?

4

5 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** THAT'S CORRECT.

6

7 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I GUESS MY NEXT QUESTION IS THEN: WOULD
8 ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE ATTACH TO THESE POSITIONS IF THE
9 SHERIFF HAD A CONVERSATION WITH THESE POSITIONS, WOULD HE BE
10 ABLE TO ASSERT ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE FROM THOSE
11 CONVERSATIONS?

12

13 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** NO, HE WOULD NOT. AND WE'VE HAD THAT
14 CONVERSATION WITH THE SHERIFF. AND HE HAS ACKNOWLEDGED THAT HE
15 WILL NOT RECOGNIZE THIS ITEM AS AN ATTORNEY ITEM OR THAT THERE
16 WOULD BE AN ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE RELATIONSHIP CREATED BY
17 IT.

18

19 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** SO IT'S REALLY VERY MUCH LIKE MANY OF US
20 HAVE STAFF IN YOUR OWN OFFICES WHO ARE ATTORNEYS, BUT JUST
21 TALKING TO THEM DOESN'T CREATE A PRIVILEGE IN TERMS OF
22 LITIGATION.

23

24 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** RIGHT.

25

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1 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** SO THEN IF THE SHERIFF NEEDS TO CONSULT
2 WITH AN ATTORNEY ON A CONFIDENTIAL MATTER ON WHICH HE MAY WANT
3 TO ASSERT PRIVILEGE, WHAT WOULD THE PROCEDURE BE FOR HIM?

4

5 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** SO THE PROCEDURE WE'VE DISCUSSED WITH
6 THE SHERIFF AND WHICH HE'S ACKNOWLEDGED AND AGREED TO IS THAT
7 HE WOULD ASK A MEMBER OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL TO ATTEND ANY
8 MEETING THAT HE WANTS PRIVILEGED BY THE ATTORNEY/CLIENT
9 PRIVILEGE OR HE WOULD C.C. COUNTY COUNSEL ON ANY LETTER OR
10 COMMUNICATION THAT HE WANTS PRIVILEGED.

11

12 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** OKAY. THAT'S ALL MY QUESTIONS. THANK YOU,
13 MR. MAYOR.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OH,
16 EXCUSE ME. MOTION BY KNABE TO RECONSIDER. SECOND WITHOUT
17 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. WE HAVE ONE PUBLIC COMMENT. MR. SACHS.
18 ARNOLD SACHS.

19

20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD SACHS.
21 THANK YOU FOR THE FASCINATING QUESTIONS, MS. KUEHL. COUNTY
22 COUNSEL WILL PROVIDE PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE
23 SHERIFF. BUT IT'S COUNTY COUNSEL. I BELIEVE THERE WAS A
24 SITUATION WHERE MS. SOLIS'S FIRST PREDECESSOR WHO WAS
25 CONCERNED ABOUT A SHOOTING THAT OCCURRED IN HER DISTRICT. AS A

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1 MATTER OF FACT, IT WAS MORE THAN ONE SHOOTING. IT WAS 7
2 SHOOTINGS, SHERIFF, SHE WANTED INFORMATION FROM COUNTY
3 COUNSEL. IT WAS YOUR COUNTY COUNSEL AND COUNTY COUNSEL
4 WOULDN'T GIVE HER THE INFORMATION TO HER BECAUSE THE COUNTY
5 COUNSEL HAD A PRIVATE PRIVILEGE WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.
6 SO HOW DO YOU SET THOSE BOUNDARIES, IT'S YOUR COUNTY COUNSEL?
7 HOW DO YOU SET THE BOUNDARIES? THERE WAS A REALLY FASCINATING
8 STORY IN THE L.A. TIMES THAT RELATES TO THE ABILITY OF THIS--
9 ABOUT ACTUALLY SOMEBODY RUNNING FOR LOCAL OFFICE HERE AND THEY
10 INTERVIEWED SUPERVISOR YVONNE BRATHWAITE BURKE AND SHE
11 MENTIONED IN THIS STORY, THERE IS NO SEPARATION OF POWERS,
12 BURKE SAID OF THE BOARD. "YOU HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
13 LEGISLATE BUT THEN ADMINISTRATIVELY CARRY OUT THE THINGS YOU
14 LEGISLATE." THAT'S THE FOUNDATION OF THE CONSTITUTION IS TO
15 HAVE THE SEPARATION OF POWERS BETWEEN THE JUDICIAL, THE
16 LEGISLATIVE AND THE LEGAL FORUM. YOU DON'T HAVE THAT
17 SEPARATION. SO HOW IS THAT CONSTITUTIONALLY CORRECT? I MEAN,
18 IT'S THE FOUNDATION. IT'S WHAT YOU HAVE ON THE WALLS HERE.
19 IT'S WHAT WE TALK ABOUT ON THIS SIDE OF THE MICROPHONE THAT WE
20 DON'T HAVE THAT OPPORTUNITY TO TO QUESTION ANYTHING , IT'S
21 BECAUSE WE JUST SAID SO. AS A MATTER OF FACT, YOU JUST READ
22 INTO THE RULES NO CLAPPING. BUT I COULD HAVE SWORN YOU HAD
23 CLAPPING EARLIER IN THE MEETING. SO WHICH IS IT? WELL, IT'S
24 BECAUSE YOU SAID SO. AGAIN WE COME BACK TO THE SEPARATION OF

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1 ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE. HOW DOES THAT WORK? WELL WE DON'T
2 KNOW.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** PROFOUNDNESS. MOTION BY KNABE.

5 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM NO. 44-A. I WOULD

6 LIKE TO AMEND THE RESOLUTION LIMITING THE ALLOCATION OF

7 FUNDING FROM THE 2015-16 ADOPTED BUDGET FOR THE WORK TO BE

8 PERFORMED TO \$100,000 REQUIRING A C.E.O. TO NOTIFY THE BOARD

9 PRIOR TO ANY SUCH FUNDING EXPENDITURE OR EXECUTION OF SUCH

10 CONTRACTS UNDER THESE SECTIONS. AND WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT.

11 CALL UP ARNOLD SACHS, NINA PSOMAS AND DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.

12 NICOLE, ARE YOU THERE? NICOLE. GOOD MORNING, NICOLE. OKAY.

13 YOU'RE ON.

14

15 **NICOLE PARSON:** WE'RE ON NO. 44?

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, MA'AM.

18

19 **NICOLE PARSON:** UM, OKAY. UM, YOU KNOW, UM, I WENT TO THE-- I

20 DON'T KNOW WHERE I AM, MR. ANTONOVICH. BUT THE NEVADA, THE

21 LICENSING AND THE GAMING, IT WENT TO CONGRESS SO I THINK

22 NEVADA PICKED IT UP BUT I THINK IT'S GOING TO COME BACK TO THE

23 GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA BECAUSE OF ALL THIS STUFF. BUT I DON'T

24 EVEN KNOW WHAT NUMBER I AM.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NICOLE YOU'RE ON 44-A RELATIVE TO THE
2 SHELTERS.

3

4 **NICOLE PARSON:** OH, THE SHELTERS, YES. THE SHELTERS. IF WE
5 COMPLETE IT RIGHT AND BECAUSE IF THE PEOPLE GO TO JAIL, THEN
6 IF THEY'RE BABIES AND THEN THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO SIGN BEFORE
7 THEY-- THE PEOPLE GIVE UP THEIR DOG IF THEY GO, IF THEY TAKE
8 THEM TO JAIL THEN GO GET THEIR ANIMALS. AND JUST SAVE THEM AS
9 LONG AS THEY GIVE UP JUST LIKE THE KID. THERE'S ANOTHER ONE
10 FOR 44, BUT SO THE PLANS FOR THE RAIL, THE HIGH SPEED-- THE
11 HIGH DESERT AUTHORITY IS NOT TO THE GENERAL PLAN AND THE
12 CAREGIVERS ARE NOT TAKING FROM US. IT'S THE CORPORATIONS. AND
13 THEN I HAVE SEEN L.A. INITIATIVE EMPOWERMENT FOR WOMEN. SO IT
14 WOULD BE-- BECAUSE I WROTE IT UP FOR JUST A PROPOSAL, BUT TO
15 HAVE GIRLS COME TO LIKE THE SCHOOL AND LET THEM TALK ABOUT THE
16 PROBLEMS THAT THEY HAVE, AND VOTE.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **NICOLE PARSON:** GET PEOPLE TO VOTE.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, NICOLE. NICE SEEING YOU.
23 DR. CLAVREUL.

24

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1 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING AGAIN, BOARD OF
2 SUPERVISORS, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I THINK THAT MOTION IS
3 VERY WELL WRITTEN. AND I WOULD LIKE TO SEE AN EMPHASIS PUT TO
4 HEALTHCARE BECAUSE THAT WOULD BE A GOOD OPPORTUNITY WHEN THOSE
5 PEOPLE HAVE THOSE SHELTERS EVEN FOR A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME.
6 THAT THERE IS SOME INCENTIVE TO TREAT THEM, VACCINATE THE
7 PEOPLE WHO WANT TO BE VACCINATED AND SO ON. SO I WOULD LIKE TO
8 MAKE SURE THAT SO IT IS NOT A WASTE.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU FOR A GOOD SUGGESTION. MR.
11 SACHS.

12

13 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING AGAIN, ARNOLD
14 SACHS. I'M WONDERING IF YOU PIGGYBACK THIS ACTION: THERE WAS A
15 SMALL STORY I THINK IT WAS IN "THE DAILY BREEZE" ABOUT THE
16 L.A. CITY WANTED TO TAKE SOME ACTION AND HAVING TO FACE
17 C.E.Q.A. REGULATIONS BECAUSE THEY WERE GOING TO CONSIDER USING
18 PARKING LOTS FOR PEOPLE TO PARK THEIR VEHICLES IN. AND THE USE
19 OF THOSE PARKING LOTS CREATED A SITUATION WHERE A NORMAL
20 SITUATION OF CROWDS IN THAT AREA. SO YOU DO NOT CONSTITUTE--
21 OR EXEMPT, THEY ARE NOT EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA
22 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT. SO THAT WOULD MEAN THAT YOU'D HAVE
23 TO HAVE HEARINGS TO USE SOME OF THESE FACILITIES. DO YOU PLAN
24 ON HAVING THE HEARINGS? DO YOU HAVE A LIST OF THE FACILITIES
25 YOU'RE GOING TO USE? AND HOW IS THAT GOING TO WORK OUT IN THE

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1 ESSENCE OF THIS EMERGENCY DECLARATION THAT YOU PRESCRIBED?
2 PERSONALLY SOMETIMES THE C.E.Q.A. REGULATIONS CAN BE OVER THE
3 TOP. BUT NEVERTHELESS, IF YOU'RE WILLING TO FILE THEM AND
4 YOU'RE APPROACHING THEM IN THAT FASHION, THAT WOULD MEAN YOU'D
5 HAVE TO SET UP FOR THE HEARING. AND THAT WOULD MEAN IN ORDER
6 TO SET UP FOR THE HEARINGS, YOU'D HAVE TO HAVE AN IDEA OF WHAT
7 FACILITIES YOU'RE GOING TO USE. AND THAT BEING SAID, IF YOU'RE
8 GOING TO USE THESE FACILITIES FOR THIS ONE PARTICULAR
9 EMERGENCY, WHAT ABOUT USING THOSE FACILITIES, TAKING THE MONEY
10 THAT YOU'RE GOING TO GET FROM H.U.D. AND THESE OTHER SOURCES
11 OF INCOME AND USING THAT TO BUILD UPON THOSE FACILITIES AND
12 TURN THOSE INTO AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS, NOT NECESSARILY FOR
13 TEMPORARY USAGE BUT IF THEY'RE NO LONGER USED BY THE COUNTY
14 BUT THEY'RE OWNED BY THE COUNTY, WHY NOT USE THEM IN
15 PARTNERSHIP, PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP AND TURN THEM INTO
16 HOUSING AREAS? I TALKED ABOUT TURNING THE OLD JAIL IN L.A.
17 CITY INTO A HOUSING DEVELOPMENT. THEY WANT TO TEAR IT DOWN.
18 YOU RENOVATED THE OFFICE, THE BUILDING OVER HERE RIGHT ACROSS
19 THE STREET BACK INTO OFFICE USAGE AGAIN. WHY NOT RENOVATE THAT
20 BUILDING INTO PUBLIC HOUSING?

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. SACHS. SO MOVED,
23 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AS AMENDED WITHOUT
24 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. NUMBER 44-B. AND COULD WE FIRST HAVE--
25 IS PUBLIC WORKS AVAILABLE? I WANT TO ASK THE C.E.O. SACHI

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1 HAMAI RELATIVE TO THE MOTION. AND I WANT TO ADD ON 44-B THE
2 AMENDMENT TO WAIVE BUILDING PERMIT FEES FOR REPAIRING
3 PROPERTIES DAMAGED BY THIS RECENT STORM. AND IF WE COULD HAVE
4 AN UPDATE. I WAS OUT ON FRIDAY AT THE SITE. OVER 300,000 CUBIC
5 FEET OF DIRT HAD IMPACTED OUR ROADS AND HIGHWAYS. 12 PEOPLE
6 WERE TRAPPED IN THEIR VEHICLES. 8 OF THOSE WHO WERE RESCUED
7 HAD TO BE RESCUED FROM THE TOP OF THEIR CAR BECAUSE THE WATER
8 WAS SO HIGH. THREE OF OUR POLICE UNITS, SHERIFF UNITS, WITH
9 SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES ALSO HAD TO BE RESCUED. AND THOSE CARS WERE
10 SUBMERGED IN THE MUD AND THE FLASH FLOODS THAT OCCURRED. I
11 KNOW MY DEPUTY IN ANTELOPE VALLEY, HER HOME WAS FLOODED INSIDE
12 THE HOUSE AND OUTSIDE, AS WELL. SO WE'LL HAVE OUR REPORT ON
13 THE FIELD AS TO WHERE WE ARE TODAY. I BELIEVE MOST OF THE
14 ROADS HAVE NOW BEEN OPENED OR WILL BE OPENED SHORTLY. BUT I'LL
15 LET YOU ALL TALK.

16

17 **C.E.O. SACHI A. HAMAI:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I JUST WANT TO
18 INTRODUCE THE INDIVIDUALS WHO WILL GIVE THE UPDATE TO TODAY'S
19 REQUEST. SO STARTING CAN LESLIE LUCAS. HE IS WITH OUR OFFICE
20 OF EMERGENCY OPERATION EMERGENCY OPERATIONS, EMERGENCY
21 MANAGEMENT. GAIL FARBER, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS. FELICIA
22 COTTON, SHE IS FROM THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT AND WILL BE
23 GIVING AN UPDATE REGARDING THE CAMPS IN THAT AREA. AND DAVE
24 CHITTENDEN WHO IS OUR ACTING DIRECTOR OF INTERNAL SERVICES

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1 DEPARTMENT. SO I'LL GO AHEAD-- EXCUSE ME. I'LL GO AHEAD AND
2 TURN IT OVER TO LESLIE RIGHT NOW TO BEGIN THE PRESENTATION.

3

4 **LESLIE LUCAS:** THANK YOU, SACHI. MAYOR ANTONOVICH, MEMBERS OF
5 THE BOARD, GOOD MORNING. WE'RE HERE TO GIVE YOU AN UPDATE ON
6 OUR TRANSITION FROM RESPONSE TO RECOVERY ACTIVITIES IN REGARDS
7 TO THE WEST LAKE INCIDENT. WE TRANSITIONED NOW TO RECOVERY
8 ACTIVITIES AND OUR THREE MAIN PRIORITIES ARE DAMAGE
9 ASSESSMENT, COORDINATION OF COMMUNITY SERVICES AND RESUMPTION
10 OF SERVICES AND LIFELINES. THERE ARE TWO KEY AREAS THAT WE'RE
11 CONCENTRATING ON, ONE BEING INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE FOR
12 HOMEOWNERS, ESPECIALLY RENTERS AND BUSINESSES, AND PUBLIC
13 ASSISTANCE FOR THE PUBLIC SECTOR AND SPECIAL DISTRICTS. FOR
14 THE COMMUNITY WE'VE BEEN ENCOURAGING RESIDENTS TO COMPLETE THE
15 DAMAGE ASSESSMENT SURVEY. IT'S A SELF-REPORTING SURVEY THAT
16 TAKES LESS THAN FIVE MINUTES TO COMPLETE. ALTHOUGH COMPLETING
17 THIS SURVEY DOES NOT GUARANTEE ANY TYPE OF ASSISTANCE, WE ARE
18 ABLE TO USE THIS SURVEY TO ASSIST US IN DOING HOME INSPECTIONS
19 AND ALSO COLLECTING FOR INFORMATION TO REQUEST ADDITIONAL
20 FEDERAL ASSISTANCE OR STATE ASSISTANCE FOR THOSE RESIDENTS.
21 ONCE WE HAVE THAT INFORMATION, WE WILL THEN BE ABLE TO WORK
22 WITH THE STATE, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO BE ABLE TO SEND
23 ASSESSMENT TEAMS INTO THE AREA TO BE ABLE TO LOOK FOR THOSE
24 DAMAGES, TO SEE IF WE HAVE ENOUGH THAT WOULD MEET OUR CURRENT
25 THRESHOLD. IF WE DO MEET THAT THRESHOLD, WE WILL THEN BE ABLE

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1 TO REQUEST A FEDERAL DECLARATION FROM THE SMALL BUSINESS
2 ADMINISTRATION, WHICH LANGUAGE IS ALREADY INCLUDED IN YOUR
3 LOCAL EMERGENCY. SO FAR WE'VE HAD OVER 90 SURVEYS COMPLETED.
4 WE ARE ALSO COORDINATING WITH THE CITIES OF PALMDALE AND
5 LANCASTER WHO HAVE BEEN COLLECTING INFORMATION FROM THE
6 RESIDENTS. ONCE WE HAVE THESE SURVEYS, OUR RESIDENTS CAN GO
7 COMPLETE THESE SURVEYS. THEY CAN GO TO THE L.A. COUNTY.GOV
8 SITE, CLICK ON THE EL NI O PAGE AND THEN UNDER THE DAMAGE
9 SURVEY LINK OR THEY CAN GO TO THE 211 L.A.'S WEBSITE, COMPLETE
10 IT ONLINE. OR THEY CAN CALL 211 IF THEY DO NOT HAVE ACCESS OR
11 IF THEY ARE HAVING ANY ISSUES AND 211 OPERATORS CAN ASSIST
12 THEM WITH DOING THAT. ONCE WE COLLECT THE MAJORITY OF THOSE
13 SURVEYS, WE'LL COORDINATE WITH THOSE TEAMS TO COME IN AND LOOK
14 AT ANY TYPE OF DAMAGE THAT WE ACTUALLY HAVE TO VERIFY THOSE
15 PRELIMINARY DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS. WE'RE ALSO WORKING WITH THE
16 LOCAL CITIES TO ALSO IDENTIFY A LOCAL ASSISTANCE CENTER, A ONE
17 STOP SHOP THAT WILL BE ABLE TO BRING COUNTY RESOURCES SUCH AS
18 OUR ASSESSOR'S OFFICE, PUBLIC WORKS FOR OUR PERMITS AND ALSO
19 STATE AGENCIES LIKE THE D.M.V. TO BE ABLE TO COME IN AND BE OF
20 HELP AND ASSIST THE RESIDENTS IN THAT PARTICULAR AREA. WE HAVE
21 BEEN COMMUNICATING WITH OUR NON PROFITS, OUR FAITH-BASED, OUR
22 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS TO KEEP IN THE LOOP WITH THEM IF
23 WE HAVE ANY UNMET NEEDS THAT FOR THE RESIDENTS THAT DO NOT
24 MEET THE SERVICES THAT THEY ACTUALLY HAVE, THEY WILL BE ABLE
25 TO STEP IN ONCE WE'VE IDENTIFIED THOSE AS WE DO OUR

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1 ASSESSMENTS WITH THE COMMUNITY. FOR THE PUBLIC SECTOR, WE'VE
2 BEEN WORKING WITH THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND THE CITIES OF
3 PALMDALE AND LANCASTER TO BE ABLE TO COLLECT THEIR DAMAGE
4 ESTIMATES, BOTH THEIR RESPONSE COSTS AND THEIR RECOVERY COSTS
5 AND ESTIMATES ON THE DAMAGES THAT THEY HAVE TO FIX OR THE
6 RESTORATION OF THEIR PARTICULAR SERVICES. ONCE WE HAVE ALL OF
7 THESE COSTS PUT TOGETHER, WE'LL THEN ALSO COORDINATE WITH THE
8 STATE TO BRING ASSESSMENTS TEAMS INTO THE COUNTY TO GO OUT AND
9 VALIDATE THOSE ACTUAL COSTS THAT WE ACTUALLY HAVE, HOPING THAT
10 WE CAN THEN MEET THE THRESHOLD FOR ANY TYPE OF STATE OR
11 FEDERAL ASSISTANCE. WE CAN CONTINUE TO COORDINATE WITH OUR
12 OPERATIONAL AREA PARTNERS ON COMMUNICATION AND COORDINATION
13 WITH LOCAL CALLS TO HELP EACH OTHER WITH THE INFORMATION,
14 MAKING SURE THAT WE ARE SHARING INFORMATION THAT WE'RE
15 ACTUALLY COLLECTING SO IF PEOPLE ARE CONTACTING US DIRECTLY
16 FROM THE CITIES, THAT WE'RE SHARING INFORMATION WITH THEM AND
17 VICE VERSA SO WE'RE NOT DUPLICATING ANY TYPE OF SERVICES. BUT
18 THE MAIN THING WE WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE IS TO MAKE SURE THAT
19 OUR RESIDENTS, WHEREVER THEY MAY BE IN THE AFFECTED AREA
20 COMPLETE THE SURVEY AND THEY CAN DO THAT EITHER ON THE
21 GOVERNMENT PAGE OR CALLING 211. THANK YOU. AND I'D LIKE TO
22 TRANSITION OVER TO GAIL FARBER FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
23 WORKS.
24

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1 **GAIL FARBER:** THANK YOU. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. PUBLIC
2 WORKS RESPONDED TO THE WESTLAKE INCIDENT TOGETHER WITH OUR
3 COUNTY FIRST RESPONDER AGENCIES IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE
4 STORM EVENT LAST THURSDAY AFTERNOON. OVER 200 SQUARE MILES OF
5 TERRITORY WERE IMPACTED BY THE STORM, COVERING PORTIONS OF
6 PALMDALE AND LANCASTER AND COUNTY UNINCORPORATED AREAS. A
7 TOTAL OF 29 MILES OF COUNTY ROADS WERE SEVERELY IMPACTED BY
8 MUD AND DEBRIS FLOWS. THE DEPARTMENT'S IMMEDIATE PRIORITY IS
9 TO CLEAR THE IMPACTED ROADS SUFFICIENTLY ENOUGH TO PROVIDE
10 ACCESS FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLES TO REACH STRANDED COMMUNITIES
11 AND RESIDENTS AND MOTORISTS. AT THE HEIGHT OF THE RESPONSE,
12 THE DEPARTMENT HAD MORE THAN 60 PERSONNEL DEPLOYED IN THE
13 FIELD, UTILIZING RESOURCES AND HEAVY EQUIPMENT FROM AREAS OF
14 ANTELOPE VALLEY AND FROM OUTLYING ROAD MAINTENANCE YARDS
15 WITHIN THE L.A. BASIN. ROAD CREWS MADE IT POSSIBLE BY FRIDAY
16 EVENING TO OPEN SEVERAL SECTIONS OF THE BLOCKED ROADWAYS WELL
17 ENOUGH TO ALLOW RESIDENTS TO RETURN TO THEIR HOMES AND MORE
18 SECTIONS OF THE ROADWAY WERE REOPENED ON SUNDAY. IN ADDITION
19 TO OUR ROAD PERSONNEL, A TEAM OF BUILDING AND SAFETY
20 INSPECTORS WERE DISPATCHED TO THE SCENE ON FRIDAY TO BEGIN
21 INITIAL PROPERTY DAMAGE ASSESSMENT. FOUR INSPECTORS RETURNED
22 TO THE IMPACTED AREA YESTERDAY TO CONTINUE THEIR WORK. THEY'RE
23 CONCENTRATING EFFORTS ON EIGHT CANYON AREAS WHERE MUD FLOWS
24 EMANATE. AT THIS TIME, A TOTAL OF 21 HOMES HAVE BEEN
25 INSPECTED. SO FAR NO STRUCTURAL DAMAGE HAS BEEN FOUND

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1 REQUIRING YELLOW TAGS AND RED TAGS. WE WILL CONTINUE THESE
2 DAMAGE INSPECTIONS AND EXPECT TO FINISH BY THIS FRIDAY,
3 OCTOBER 23RD. CURRENTLY, 20 MILES OF ROADWAY REMAIN CLOSED. IN
4 TOTAL, WE ARE ANTICIPATING HAVING TO MOVE MORE THAN 300,000
5 CUBIC YARDS OF SEDIMENT. SEDIMENT WITHIN LOS ANGELES NATIONAL
6 FOREST WILL BE TAKEN TO FOREST SERVICE APPROVED SITES WHILE
7 SEDIMENT IN COUNTY UNINCORPORATED AREAS WILL BE TRANSPORTED TO
8 LOCATIONS TO BE USED TO HELP RESTORE ROADWAY SHOULDERS. BRIDGE
9 MAINTENANCE CREWS HAVE BEEN WORKING TO INSPECT REPAIRS TO THE
10 AREA BRIDGES ALONG LAKE HUGHES ROAD WHERE ABUTMENT DAMAGE MAY
11 HAVE ERODED THE AREA. CREWS ARE CONTINUING TO HAUL SETTLEMENT
12 FROM THE SEDIMENT FROM THE SHOULDERS OF THE REOPENED ROADWAYS.
13 AND THIS OPERATION WILL BE ONGOING FOR SEVERAL MORE WEEKS, AND
14 UNFORTUNATELY WILL CAUSE SOME DELAYS TO THE TRAVELING PUBLIC
15 AS WORK ZONES. THE FLAGMEN WILL BE PRESENT, SO REMINDING
16 MOTORISTS AND RESIDENTS IN THE AREA TO USE EXTREME CAUTION.
17 WE'LL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH OUR OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT
18 AND OUR FIRST RESPONDER PARTNER AGENCIES ON DISSEMINATING THE
19 LATEST INFORMATION AND UPDATES ON OUR ROAD CLOSURES AND
20 RECOVERY OPERATIONS THROUGH TRADITIONAL AND SOCIAL MEDIA
21 THROUGH OUR COUNTY'S WEBSITE. AND WE'RE CONTINUING OUR
22 OUTREACH TO OUR COMMUNITIES THROUGH TOWN COUNCILS AND C.O.G.S
23 ON EL NI O PREPAREDNESS.
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1 **FELICIA COTTON:** MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, AS YOU'RE
2 AWARE, THE RAIN EVENT OCCURRED LAST THURSDAY DURING A SHIFT
3 CHANGE. OUR OFFICERS WORK A 56-HOUR SHIFT WHERE THEY WOULD
4 NORMALLY SPEND 2-1/2 DAYS ON DUTY. SO WE HAD SOME LEAVING ON
5 THURSDAY SCHEDULED TO LEAVE AND OTHERS COMING IN. AS A RESULT,
6 ALL OF THE STAFF AND YOUTH WERE SHELTERED BECAUSE OF THE ROAD
7 CLOSURE. THEY REMAINED SHELTERED UNTIL SATURDAY AT 1:30 WHEN
8 WE RECEIVED INDICATION FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT
9 THAT IT WAS SAFE TO TRAVEL. WE MOVED 71 YOUTH TO TWO CAMP
10 FACILITIES AT THE CHALLENGER MEMORIAL YOUTH CENTER. THAT'S
11 WHERE THEY HAVE BEEN VACATED SINCE 2011 WHEN THE DEPARTMENT
12 VACATED THOSE CAMPS IN A STAFF EFFICIENCY EXERCISE. YOUTH WERE
13 ABLE TO RESUME NORMAL WEEKEND ACTIVITY BEGINNING ON SUNDAY,
14 WHICH INCLUDED VISITING AND THEIR RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES. AS OF
15 TODAY, YOUTH ARE ENGAGED IN FULL PROGRAMMING. I.S.D IS
16 CURRENTLY CONDUCTING A DAMAGE ASSESSMENT WHICH WILL INFORM OUR
17 NEXT STEPS. WE WILL DETERMINE AT THAT TIME THE FEASIBILITY OF
18 REOCCUPYING THOSE CAMPS. THANK YOU.

19

20 **DAVE CHITTENDEN:** DAVE CHITTENDEN, INTERNAL SERVICES
21 DEPARTMENT. AS FELICIA SAID, WE'VE ALREADY STARTED TO WORK TO
22 ASSESS THE DAMAGE. WE WERE OUT THERE ON FRIDAY INITIALLY TO
23 CONFIRM THAT THE WASTE WATER TREATMENT OPERATIONS WERE NOT
24 IMPACTED AND POTABLE WATER SUPPLIES WERE NOT IMPACTED. WE WERE
25 UP AGAIN YESTERDAY, DID A WALK THROUGH OF THE SITE,

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1 [INAUDIBLE] AND GOT AN INITIAL ASSESSMENT. EFFECTIVE TODAY
2 WE'VE GOT A VENDOR ON SITE DOING INITIAL CLEANUP OF THE TWO
3 MAIN BUILDINGS THAT WERE IMPACTED. WOULD HAVE BEEN THE
4 DORMITORY AND THE GYMNASIUM WHICH I BELIEVE HAD 2 TO 3 INCHES
5 OF MUD THROUGHOUT THE BUILDING. FORTUNATELY, THEY ARE CONCRETE
6 FLOOR, BLOCK-BUILT STRUCTURES, SO THERE'S NO EXPECTED DAMAGE
7 TO THE FACILITY. THAT'S GOING TO TAKE A WEEK OR SO TO CLEAN
8 OUT. WE'LL HAVE ANOTHER CONTRACTOR ON BOARD WORKING WITH
9 PUBLIC WORKS TO CLEAN OUT THE WHOLE COMPLEX BECAUSE THE
10 STREETS AND THE SURFACES ARE IMPACTED. WHEN THAT WORK'S
11 COMPLETED, WE'LL HAVE CUSTODIAL GO THROUGH AND DO A COMPLETE
12 SANITIZATION OF THE TWO SITES. AND WE EXPECT THIS WORK WILL
13 TAKE UPWARDS OF 30 DAYS TO COMPLETE BEFORE WE TURN IT BACK TO
14 PROBATION FOR THEIR OCCUPANCY PLANS.

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** MR. MAYOR, CAN I ASK A QUESTION?

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SURE, SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I JUST WANTED TO ASK, GIVEN THAT THIS
21 OCCURRED AT ONE OF OUR PROBATION CAMPS, WHAT ARE WE DOING TO
22 LOOK AT OTHER POTENTIAL CAMPS THAT ARE ALSO IN THE FOOTHILLS?
23 I'M THINKING ABOUT THE ONES THAT ARE NEAREST THE EAST SAN
24 GABRIEL VALLEY, THEY ACTUALLY CONNECT WITH SUPERVISOR
25 ANTONOVICH'S DISTRICT. BUT JUST KNOWING THE SLOPES THERE AND

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1 HAVING BEEN OUT THERE, KNOWING THAT THE RECENT FIRES, ARE WE
2 DOING ANY FORECASTING IN TERMS OF WHAT MIGHT BE NEEDED TO HELP
3 PREVENT A SIMILAR SITUATION OR CREATING SOME BUFFER ZONES SO
4 THAT WE DON'T SEE MUDSLIDES AS WELL.

5

6 **DAVE CHITTENDEN:** POSSIBLE SEVERAL ANSWERS TO THAT AND PUBLIC
7 WORKS CAN JOIN, BUT FROM AN INTERNATL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, WE
8 MANAGE THE CAMPS. THIS PARTICULAR CAMP WAS ON OUR LIST FOR
9 BUILDING ASSESSMENT WITH THE ENGAGEMENT THAT WE'VE GOT
10 UNDERWAY. THEY WERE ACTUALLY SCHEDULED TO GO OUT THERE LAST
11 WEEK. UNFORTUNATELY THEY GOT PRE-EMPTED BY THIS STORM. WE ARE
12 BRINGING THEM BACK TO THIS PARTICULAR CAMP AS SOON AS NEXT
13 WEEK TO DO A FULL ASSESSMENT OF THIS FACILITY FOR ITS CURRENT
14 STATE OF AFFAIRS, INCLUDING DAMAGE FROM THIS. I'M NOT SURE
15 WHERE WE ARE WITH THE OTHER CAMPS IN THAT ASSESSMENT. WE WILL
16 LOOK AT THOSE ON OUR PRIORITY LIST AND WORK WITH THE C.E.O. TO
17 SEE IF WE CAN MOVE THEM UP THE LIST AND GET AN EARLIER
18 ASSESSMENT DONE.

19

20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I WOULD STRONGLY URGE THE BOARD TO CONSIDER
21 THAT AND PERHAPS HAVE OUR C.E.O. REPORT BACK TO US ON WHAT
22 TYPE OF PLANS WE HAVE IN PLACE, JUST IN TERMS OF PREPARATION,
23 BECAUSE THAT'S A LOT OF YOUNGSTERS AND STAFF THAT COULD ALSO
24 BE AFFECTED. AND JUST TALKING TO MY COLLEAGUES HERE, THEY'RE
25 EXPECTING RAINFALL OF ANYWHERE BY NEXT SPRING 32 INCHES. AND

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1 THAT WILL HAVE AN IMPACT ALONG OUR FOOTHILL AREAS. SO I'M JUST
2 THINKING AHEAD HOW WE MIGHT PREPARE FOR THAT BETTER.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HOW MANY JUVENILES DID WE MOVE? WAS IT
5 A HUNDRED AND?

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7 **FELICIA COTTON:** 71 JUVENILES.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND WE HAD LAKE HUGHES, THAT'S ONE OF
10 THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, THE STUDENTS STAYED, AND WE HAD
11 CHILDREN AND PARENTS THERE?

12

13 **LESLIE LUCAS:** YES, WE HAD ONE SCHOOL THAT ACTUALLY HAD SOME
14 STUDENTS THAT HAD TO SHELTER IN PLACE OVERNIGHT.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** RIGHT, RIGHT. IF THERE'S ANY
17 QUESTIONS, WE HAVE ONE PUBLIC SPEAKER, BUT I WANT TO THANK THE
18 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, OUR COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, OUR
19 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
20 ALONG WITH THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR
21 A UNIFIED APPROACH IN DEALING WITH THESE ISSUES. I WAS OUT AT
22 THE SITE AND ALSO SPOKE TO THE LOCAL BLACK AMERICAN ANTELOPE
23 VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE THAT AFTERNOON, AS WELL, AND
24 EVERYBODY WAS VERY PLEASED WITH THE RESPONSE THAT WE HAD BEEN
25 ABLE TO PROVIDE, THE SERVICES AND, AGAIN, IT'S BEEN VERY MUCH

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1 OF A TEAM EFFORT. AND WE WILL HAVE THE EL NI O ALL THE WAY
2 THROUGH MARCH, SO THIS WAS REALLY THE FIRST REAL BIG SURPRISE.
3 BUT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE MORE OF THESE SURPRISES FOR THE NEXT
4 FEW MONTHS. AND THE DEPARTMENT, THEY WERE 24/7 IN RESPONDING
5 AND WE APPRECIATED THAT. SO AGAIN WE'RE WORKING WITH OUR TOWN
6 COUNCILS AND OUR CITIES TO ENSURE THAT WE HAVE THIS TYPE OF
7 COOPERATION. AND AGAIN THE TOWN COUNCILS IN ANTELOPE VALLEY
8 AND THE CITIES OF PALMDALE AND LANCASTER WERE VERY COOPERATIVE
9 IN DEALING TO SEE THAT EVERYBODY WERE HAVING THEIR NEEDS MET.
10 THANK YOU. BUT WE HAVE TO VOTE ON THE MOTION. TWO PUBLIC
11 SPEAKERS. ONE IS NICOLE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. NICOLE? AND
12 MR. SACHS.

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14 **NICOLE PARSON:** HELLO.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HELLO, NICOLE.

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18 **NICOLE PARSON:** OKAY, HEY. YEAH, SO 44-B, OKAY. AND THEN WE
19 HAVE 44-B IS THE CLEANUP. THE REASON WHY-- MISS SOLIS, THE
20 REASON WHY YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT FOOTHILL AND STUFF IS
21 BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT DIGGING WITH ANTELOPE VALLEY SEWAGE PLANT.
22 AND THE REASON WHY IS THAT IT'S COMING INTO THE YOUTH FACILITY
23 IS BECAUSE IT IS LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE STATE. SO I GUESS
24 IT'S NOT PUBLIC WORKS BUT I'D SAY THAT LANCASTER DEPARTMENT OF
25 TRANSPORTATION IS LEADING YOU DOWN THE WRONG ROAD BECAUSE

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1 THEY'RE SENDING WATER, WHICH IS REALLY GOOD. THEY ARE CATCHING
2 ALL THE RAIN WATER BUT THAT'S NOT THE SEWER WATER THAT'S
3 SUPPOSED TO BE COMING FROM A.V.A.C. BUT BESIDES THAT, SO
4 THEY'RE CATCHING ALL THE RAIN WATER SO NOW WHAT ARE YOU GOING
5 TO DO WITH IT? AND THE RUNOFF. BUT NOW WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO
6 DO WITH IT SINCE A.V.A.C. IS SUPPOSED TO BE COMING IN. DO YOU
7 GUYS EVEN KNOW? NO, THEY DON'T KNOW. AND, WELL, THE CALTRANS,
8 NOBODY MENTIONED OR DID YOU GUYS MENTION CALTRANS BECAUSE YOU
9 PUBLIC WORKS, THEIR CLEANUP, BUT REALLY CALTRANS IS SUPPOSED
10 TO BE CLEANED UP BECAUSE YOU GUYS ARE ALL INTO LIKE BUSINESS
11 TOGETHER. BUT IT'S NOT THE PUBLIC PLAN. AND IT'S NOT-- YOU
12 GUYS, THE LANCASTER DOESN'T EVEN HAVE FEDERAL, FOR THE POOR
13 AND THE LOW INCOME AND THAT'S WHY. CAN I JUST ADDRESS NO. 9?
14 OUR PLAN WAS, OUR GENERAL PLAN WAS WELL THIS IS NEW, BUT WE
15 WANT THE ROCKY NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY RIGHT HERE ON THE
16 BOULEVARD AND THE COMMUNICATIONS CENTER. WE STILL WANT THAT
17 THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND THEN IT'S A SEWER GROUND.
18 THE LANCASTER GOLF COURSE. AND I CAN'T EVEN IMAGINE HOW THEY
19 DESIGNED IT.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, NICOLE.

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23 **NICOLE PARSON:** AND THAT'S THE ONLY PLACE THAT IT COULD BE FOR
24 THE KIDS. AND IT WILL GIVE US HEALTHY AND ENFORCE.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, NICOLE. MR. SACHS. WAIVED?
2 OKAY. SO I'LL MAKE THE MOTION AS AMENDED WHERE WE WILL WAIVE
3 BUILDING PERMIT FEES FOR REPAIRING PROPERTIES DAMAGED BY THIS
4 STORM EVENT. SECOND BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
5 ORDERED. ON ITEM NO. 2, I WANT CAPTAIN MERRILL LADENHEIM FROM
6 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO COME UP ON THIS ITEM. THIS IS A
7 VERY GOOD MOTION BY MY COLLEAGUES, SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND KNABE
8 WHICH CONTINUES OUR EFFORTS AS WE SEE GREATER PROTECTION FOR
9 THE VICTIMS OF CHILD SEX TRAFFICKING AND TESTIFYING AGAINST
10 THEIR TRAFFICKERS AND BY IDENTIFYING THE TRAFFICKED YOUTH AS
11 VICTIMS RATHER THAN AS CRIMINALS WHICH WE ALL SUPPORT
12 UNANIMOUSLY. AND IT SUPPORTS THE COUNTY'S EFFORTS TO ADDRESS
13 THIS PROBLEM.

14

15 **CAPT. MERRILL LADENHEIM:** MR. MAYOR, HONORABLE BOARD, THANK YOU
16 ON BEHALF OF SHERIFF JIM MCDONNELL, FOR GIVING US THE
17 OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON THIS IMPORTANT AGENDA ITEM. WITH ME
18 IS COMMANDER ROD KUSCH FROM THE DETECTIVE DIVISION. WE ARE
19 VERY MUCH IN LINE WITH THIS BOARD MOTION. IT GOES TO STAND UP
20 AND SHOW WHAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN DOING AND
21 CONTINUES WITH ONGOING EFFORTS IN OUR WORK WITH OUR VULNERABLE
22 POPULATION. OUR GOAL IS SIMPLY NOT TO ARREST BUT TO KEEP THESE
23 YOUNG VICTIMS OF RAPE SAFE. WORK WITH THE FIRST RESPONDER
24 PROTOCOL, WITH OUR YOUNG RAPE VICTIMS AND THE WORK WE'VE BEEN
25 DOING WITH OUR VICTIM ADVOCATES HAS VERY MUCH ENABLED US TO

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1 SEE THE PROBLEM THROUGH A VICTIM-CENTRIC LENS. AS YOU KNOW, WE
2 HAVE THE TASKFORCE BEING COMPLETED AND BUILT UPON. WE HAVE OUR
3 FEDERAL, STATE, COUNTY PARTNERS. AND OUR GOAL IS TO NOT ARREST
4 BUT TO BRING WITH US VICTIM-CENTERED SERVICES. WE WERE JUST
5 AWARDED THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE GRANT TO END HUMAN
6 TRAFFICKING WHICH WILL BE COMING BEFORE YOUR BOARD VERY
7 SHORTLY. AND WITH THAT, WE ARE UNABLE TO BRING SERVICES FROM
8 VICTIM SERVICE PROVIDERS, SUCH AS C.A.S.P. AND SAVING
9 INNOCENCE WITH US TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES. THE SHERIFF IS VERY
10 MUCH COMMITTED TO THIS ISSUE. AND IS STANDING UP THE TASKFORCE
11 TO ADDRESS ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN BROUGHT FORTH WITHIN THE
12 BOARD MOTION. SO WE'RE VERY SUPPORTIVE OF IT. WE'RE IN LINE OF
13 IT AND LIKE I SAID, THE GOAL OF THE SHERIFF IS TO NOT ARREST
14 BUT TO KEEP THESE VICTIMS SAFE.

15

16 **CMDR. ROD KUSCH:** IT'S CLEAR THE SHERIFF'S GOAL IS TO PUT A LOT
17 OF EFFORT TO THIS. CAPTAIN LADENHEIM HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TO BE
18 THE CAPTAIN AND OVERSEER OF THE ENTIRE TASKFORCE. SO WE ARE
19 COMMITTING A LOT OF RESOURCES TOWARD IT AND EFFORT, AND WE'RE
20 GLAD TO SEE THIS BOARD MOTION, AS WELL.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR?

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'RE HAVING MORE OF OUR JURISDICTIONS
25 RECOGNIZE THE SERIOUSNESS OF THIS PROBLEM, AND THESE YOUNG

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1 PEOPLE, VERY YOUNG, AVERAGE AGE AROUND 12, LIFE EXPECTANCY OF
2 NINE YEARS. THAT MEANS THEY'RE BEING KILLED, BASICALLY BY THE
3 AGE OF 21, ARE FINALLY STEPPING UP TO THE PLATE TO ADDRESS
4 THIS ISSUE AND TO GET OUR FAITH-BASED COMMUNITIES TO ALSO WORK
5 COOPERATIVELY ON THIS ISSUE?

6

7 **CAPT. MERRILL LADENHEIM:** YES, SIR. AND THIS IS A PROBLEM I
8 THINK THAT HAS VERY WELL BEEN DEMONSTRATED. LAW ENFORCEMENT
9 CANNOT HANDLE ALONE. IT'S A GLOBAL ISSUE. AND WE ARE PULLING
10 IN VICTIMS SERVICES FROM THE FAITH-BASED COMMUNITY, FROM OUR
11 VICTIM PARTNERS AND VICTIM ADVOCATES TO REALLY PROVIDE WRAP-
12 AROUND SERVICES TO ENSURE SUCCESS. ONE OF THE TENETS OF THE
13 FIRST RESPONDER PROTOCOL IS TO REMAIN WITH OUR VICTIM DURING
14 SOME OF THE MOST CRITICAL TIME, THAT FIRST 72 HOURS, SO WE CAN
15 MONITOR THE VICTIM AND ENSURE SUCCESS IN OUR PROGRAMMING. YOU
16 KNOW, THE THREE-PRONG APPROACH ON THIS IS WHAT WE'RE BASING
17 OUR SUCCESS ON. AND FIRST AND FOREMOST IS RESCUING OUR VICTIM,
18 PROVIDING WRAP-AROUND SERVICES, GIVING THAT VICTIM AN ADVOCATE
19 AS REFERENCED IN THE AGENDA, BUT THE TWO OTHER VERY IMPORTANT
20 COMPONENTS ARE ADDRESSING THE TRAFFICKING ISSUE AND ADDRESSING
21 THE BUYER ISSUE. AND WITH THE NEW TASKFORCE, THE SHERIFF HAS
22 COMMITTED TO ADDRESSING ALL THREE PRONGS OF THIS PROBLEM. AND
23 WITH THAT, WE BRING IN OUR COMMUNITY, OUR VICTIM ADVOCATES AND
24 OUR SOCIAL SERVICES.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT ABOUT DEALING WITH LET'S SAY THE
2 MOTEL INDUSTRY? I KNOW A LOT OF THESE ARE INDIVIDUALLY OWNED
3 OR FAMILY OWNED. BRINGING THEM TO THE PLATE TO STEP FORWARD
4 AND MAKE THESE REPORTS WHEN THIS IS TAKING PLACE.

5

6 **CAPT. MERRILL LADENHEIM:** YES, SIR, THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THAT
7 UP. WE ARE WORKING THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING TASKFORCE, THE
8 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WITH THE INSURANCE PROVIDER TO THE HOTEL
9 INDUSTRY. A VERY PROGRESSIVE INSURANCE PROVIDER NAMED PETRA
10 INDUSTRIES. THEY'RE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE CONDUCT AND THESE
11 TYPES OF ACTIVITIES OCCURRING IN PROPERTIES THAT THEY INSURE.
12 THEY'VE INVITED THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO ADDRESS JUST
13 RECENTLY AT INDUSTRY HILLS AT THE WESTERN HOTEL/MOTEL OWNERS'
14 CONFERENCE. THEY WERE VERY RECEPTIVE AND HAVE INVITED US TO
15 THEIR NATIONAL CONFERENCE THIS YEAR IN THE MIDWEST WHERE WE DO
16 A PRESENTATION, MAKE HOTEL AND MOTEL OWNERS AWARE OF THE HUMAN
17 TRAFFICKING PROBLEM. AND PETRA, WE'RE WORKING WITH A COMPANY
18 TO POST IN EVERY HOTEL/MOTEL THAT THEY INSURE HOW TO REPORT
19 THIS, WHAT TO LOOK FOR AND HOW TO AVOID HUMAN TRAFFICKING ON
20 THEIR PROPERTIES.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I UNDERSTAND THEY'RE USING PUBLIC
23 TRANSPORTATION AS A MEANS OF TRANSPORTING THESE YOUNG PEOPLE
24 TO THEIR JOHNS. ARE WE INCREASING THE-- EDUCATING OUR TRANSIT
25 DRIVERS TO BE AWARE AND TO MAKE THESE REPORTS?

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2 **CAPT. MERRILL LADENHEIM:** YES, SIR. THROUGH YOUR BOARD'S
3 EFFORTS WITH METRO, THERE'S AN INTERNAL EDUCATION CAMPAIGN TO
4 ALERT PEOPLE, EMPLOYEES AT WORK WHAT TO LOOK FOR AND VERY
5 IMPORTANTLY HOW TO REPORT SUCH ACTIVITY. THERE'S ALSO A PUBLIC
6 EDUCATION CAMPAIGN AT THE TERMINALS, THE BUS STOPS AND AT
7 SPECIFIC STATIONS TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC AS WELL AND RAISE THE
8 AWARENESS CAMPAIGN IN OUR TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM WHERE SO MANY
9 OF THESE VICTIMS ARE FERRIED, AND BRINGING THAT LEVEL OF
10 CONSCIOUSNESS TO THE PROBLEM HAS BEEN A VERY, VERY IMPORTANT
11 TOOL IN OUR FIGHT AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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15 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. FIRST OF ALL, PRAISE
16 TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. YOU HAVE REALLY STEPPED UP AND
17 UNDERSTOOD THIS IN AN EXCEPTIONALLY SHORT TIME. AS I KNOW YOU
18 KNOW, THERE'S A BROADER CAMPAIGN IN THE COUNTRY, GENERALLY
19 CALLED THE NO SUCH THING CAMPAIGN. THAT IS NO SUCH THING AS A
20 CHILD PROSTITUTE, TREATING THE CHILDREN AS THE VICTIMS THAT
21 THEY TRULY ARE. AND THIS MOTION RECOGNIZES, REALLY, THE
22 PROGRESS THAT WE'VE MADE AND MAKES CERTAIN THAT WE CONTINUE
23 NOT ONLY THE FIRST RESPONDER PROTOCOL BUT ALSO ENCOURAGING THE
24 DISTRICT ATTORNEY TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF A CURRENT PENAL CODE
25 SECTION SO THAT THESE CHILDREN AREN'T FORCED TO TESTIFY IN THE

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1 PRESENCE OF THEIR ABUSERS OR THEIR PIMPS, WHICH CAN HAVE A
2 DETRIMENTAL EFFECT. JUTS TO REMIND PEOPLE, THIS IS ALREADY THE
3 LAW. AND WE THINK IT'S A GOOD TOOL TO USE FOR OUR CHILDREN WHO
4 ARE VICTIMS. MOST IMPORTANTLY, I THINK THE SERVICES THAT ARE
5 BEING PROVIDED, THERE ARE A NUMBER OF-- MY COLLEAGUES HAVE
6 BEEN WORKING DILIGENTLY ALL THROUGH, WELL, THE YEAR THAT I'VE
7 BEEN HERE AND BEFORE, AND WE WILL SEE THE RESULTS OF SOME OF
8 THAT WORK I BELIEVE NEXT WEEK IN TERMS OF MOTIONS THAT THEY
9 WILL BRING. I SIMPLY WANTED TO BRING THIS TODAY BECAUSE THIS
10 WEEK WE'RE RECOGNIZING THE NO SUCH THING CAMPAIGN AND FIGURED
11 THIS WAS A GOOD WAY FOR THE COUNTY TO WEIGH IN AND SAY WE
12 BELIEVE IN THIS. THIS WILL BE PART OF WHAT WE WILL DO FOR
13 THESE VICTIMS. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

14

15 **CAPT. MERRILL LADENHEIM:** YOU'RE WELCOME, MA'AM. AND WE'VE BEEN
16 WORKING COLLABORATIVELY WITH ALL FIVE BOARD OFFICES ON THIS
17 PROJECT. WE'VE COME VERY CLOSELY TOGETHER ON THE ISSUE. AND TO
18 PIGGYBACK ON THE NO SUCH THING CAMPAIGN, THE SHERIFF WILL BE
19 MESSAGING INTERNALLY TO ALL 18,000 EMPLOYEES OF THE SHERIFF'S
20 DEPARTMENT, AND SPECIFICALLY NOTING THAT THESE VICTIMS ARE
21 VICTIMS OF RAPE. AND THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS A CHILD
22 PROSTITUTE. AND THAT INTERNAL MESSAGE WILL BE PUT FORTH
23 SOMETIME TODAY OR TOMORROW. AND THAT'S THE EXPECTATIONS OF ALL
24 OUR EMPLOYEES. IT'S CHANGING THE WAY WE THINK ABOUT THESE

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1 VICTIMS INTERNALLY SO WE CAN PROPERLY REPRESENT AND DO OUR
2 JOBS AND GIVE THEM THE SERVICES THEY DESERVE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** I JUST WANT TO ADD, YOU KNOW, A THANK YOU FOR YOUR
7 WILLINGNESS TO WORK TOGETHER. THIS POINT CAME TO US SEVERAL
8 YEARS AGO. MANY OF US HERE AND IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
9 THOUGHT IT WAS IN THE THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES WHEN IT'S RIGHT IN
10 OUR OWN BACKYARD. I THINK THE IMPORTANCE OF THE ISSUE BEFORE
11 US, THOUGH, IS THAT-- AND WE CONTINUE TO CHANGE THAT
12 VOCABULARY-- THAT THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS A CHILD
13 PROSTITUTE. NO SUCH THING. THERE IS NO 12-YEAR-OLD YOUNG LADY
14 THAT MAKES A CONSCIOUS DECISION TO BECOME A PROSTITUTE. SO
15 THAT'S A HUGE ISSUE. THE COORDINATION OF THIS EFFORT, THOUGH,
16 I THINK ALSO HELPS US TO BRING THE FOCUS ON THE OTHER SIDE OF
17 IT, WHICH IS THE SCUMBAG PIMPS AND THE JOHNS. AND LIKE YOU
18 SAY, THE JOHNS, THAT'S NOT SEX, THAT'S RAPE, WITH THESE YOUNG
19 VICTIMS. SO AS WE CONTINUE TO WORK THROUGH ALL THIS, AS AN
20 EXAMPLE, THE PROTOCOL THAT THE COUNTY HAS IMPLEMENTED WITH ALL
21 THE POLICE AGENCIES AND PROBATION AND EVERYONE ELSE THROUGH
22 THE SYSTEM, THERE WAS A POINT THAT EVERY TIME THESE YOUNG
23 GIRLS WERE TURNED BACK, LIKE 78 PERCENT RAN RIGHT BACK TO
24 THEIR PIMP. NOW IT'S LIKE 1 IN 38 BECAUSE WE HAVE A DEDICATED
25 COURTROOM. WE HAVE A CONTROLLED WRAP-AROUND SERVICES AROUND

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1 THEM. WE HAVE A LOT TO DO, JUST TO FOLLOW-UP ON MIKE'S
2 QUESTION BECAUSE MARK WAS THERE AND OTHERS, WE DID HAVE A
3 PRESS CONFERENCE RECENTLY WITH PHIL WASHINGTON OUR C.E.O. OF
4 THE M.T.A. TRAINING EVERY METRO EMPLOYEE TO BE ABLE TO
5 RECOGNIZE AND TO BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY, JUST LIKE WE DID AFTER
6 9/11 WITH THE BLACK BAGS OR ANY BAG YOU SEE, IF YOU SEE
7 SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING. AND I THINK THAT'S THE CRITICAL
8 ISSUE. SO, AGAIN, THE MORE WE COORDINATE, THE BETTER OFF WE'RE
9 GOING TO BE. WE STILL HAVE VICTIMS WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH. BUT I
10 THINK THE WRAP-AROUND PROTOCOL AND A LOT OF GOOD THINGS
11 HAPPENING, GIVEN THESE YOUNG VICTIMS A CHANCE AND A LIFE THEY
12 REALLY DESERVE.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR SERVICE AND YOUR
17 WORK AND TO SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND KNABE FOR YOUR EFFORTS AND
18 ALL OF THE BOARD REALLY FOCUSING ON THIS AREA. I HAD A REALLY
19 INTERESTING CONVERSATION WITH OUR SHERIFF A WHILE BACK
20 REGARDING WHAT WE SEE AS A TREND NOW OCCURRING IN AREAS LIKE
21 EAST LOS ANGELES. WE ACTUALLY HAVE YOUNG GANG MEMBERS WHO ARE
22 PARTAKING IN THE TRAFFICKING OF OTHER MINORS. AND THIS SEEMS
23 UNUSUAL, BUT IT'S HAPPENING. SO IT ISN'T ABOUT DRUGS NOW, IT'S
24 ABOUT MAKING MORE MONEY ON TRAFFICKING ANOTHER HUMAN BEING.
25 AND I REALLY WANT TO COMMEND THE SHERIFF FOR THINKING OUTSIDE

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1 THE BOX AND HOPEFULLY BRINGING TO THE REALIZATION THAT THESE
2 THINGS ARE HAPPENING UNDER OUR NOSE. AND THEY'RE IN THE ALL
3 HAPPENING IN HOTELS. THEY'RE HAPPENING IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS.
4 AND WE HAVE ANOTHER LINGERING GROUP OF PEOPLE THAT ARE NOW
5 INVOLVED. AND IT'S VERY HIGH LEVEL, SYNDICATED, SO TO SPEAK.
6 SO IF A CHILD CAN BE SOLD, WHAT I WAS BEING INFORMED BY OUR
7 SHERIFF AND OTHERS, IS THAT A YOUNG CHILD CAN BE USED AS A
8 TRAFFICKING VICTIM FOR A WEEK. AND IN THAT WEEK, THEY CAN--
9 THAT INDIVIDUAL THAT IS PIMPING THAT CHILD, WHO HAPPENS TO BE
10 A TEENAGER, AS WELL, CAN MAKE UPWARDS OF \$600,000 IN A MONTH,
11 NOT A WEEK. LET ME TAKE THAT BACK. IN A YEAR'S TIME, ONE
12 CHILD, \$600,000. BECAUSE IT'S REPEATED. AND SO IN ONE WEEK, I
13 MEAN YOU'RE TALKING THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS, \$5,000, \$6,000. I
14 WAS BLOWN AWAY WHEN I HEARD THIS INFORMATION. AND IT'S
15 DEVASTATING BECAUSE IT'S HAPPENING. AND WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO
16 DETECT IT AND ALSO MAKE SURE THAT TO YOUR COMMUNITY-BASED
17 GROUPS THAT ARE WORKING WITH THESE YOUNGSTERS, SOME THAT ARE
18 INVOLVED IN SPECIAL ACTIVITIES FOR YOUTH ALSO NEED TO BE AWARE
19 OF WHAT TO REPORT AND HOW TO DETECT IT. I'M FINDING THERE'S A
20 LOT OF FOLKS THAT DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT IT'S VERY PERVASIVE
21 EVEN IN OUR OWN NEIGHBORHOOD CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS. SO I
22 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I TOTALLY COMMEND WHERE WE'RE GOING. AND
23 I KNOW THERE HAS TO BE MORE.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES. LET

3 ME JUST SIMPLY LEND MY VOICE. IT IS A GOOD SIGN THAT WE'VE

4 MADE AS MUCH PROGRESS AS WE'VE MADE OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS

5 ALONE. SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO HOW WE TALK ABOUT THIS. THAT'S

6 CHANGED. THE LANGUAGE OF RAPE AS IT RELATES TO THESE

7 YOUNGSTERS HAS SHIFTED FROM CHILD PROSTITUTES TO VICTIMS,

8 SURVIVORS. AND NOW TAKE A MUCH MORE PROACTIVE SENSE. AND I

9 DEEM THIS NOT SIMPLY IN TERMS OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

10 ALONE BUT D.A.'S OFFICE, THE CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND SO

11 FORTH. THERE HAVE BEEN A SIGNIFICANT SHIFT IN THE

12 UNDERSTANDING AND THE LEARNING SO THAT WE DO THIS WELL. AND I

13 WANT TO COMMEND MY COLLEAGUES HERE AND ELSEWHERE AT THE STATE

14 AND FEDERAL LEVELS FOR BRINGING LEADERSHIP TO BEAR. IT MAKES A

15 DIFFERENCE WHEN WE UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS A MORALLY REPUGNANT

16 SET OF CIRCUMSTANCES THAT GO ON IN VARIOUS COMMUNITIES WHERE

17 ADULTS EXPLOIT CHILDREN AND OTHER ADULTS THEN HAVE TO COME

18 FORWARD AND STAND UP FOR THESE VERY, VERY VULNERABLE YOUNG

19 PEOPLE. SO I WISH TO COMMEND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. I WANT

20 TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE WORK OF THE COUNTERPARTS OF COUNTY SERVICE

21 FROM D.P.S.S. TO D.C.F.S. AND D.A.'S OFFICE. AND THIS IS

22 TAKING A TOTAL EFFORT. AND WE STILL HAVE QUITE A LOT OF WORK

23 TO DO. I'M NOT PERSUADED THAT THE PIMPS AND JOHNS TAKE US AS

24 SERIOUSLY AS I HOPE THEY WILL COME TO TAKE US. THAT WILL BE

25 PURSUANT TO OUR VIGILANCE. I'D LIKE TO INSPIRE THE VICTIMS TO

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1 TAKE US SERIOUSLY THAT WE ARE HERE TO SUPPORT AND TO HELP
2 RESCUE THEM FROM THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES AND MORE TO THE POINT OF
3 PREVENT THEM FROM FALLING PREY TO THESE INDIVIDUALS WHO PROPER
4 DESCRIPTION I WILL NOT SUBJECT YOU TO. THANK YOU, MAYOR AND
5 COLLEAGUES.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. SO MOTION-- EXCUSE ME. WE HAVE
8 PUBLIC COMMENT. WE HAVE BRIAN THOMPSON. WE HAVE ERIC PREVEN.
9 NINA PSOMAS IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. AND ARNOLD SACHS.

10

11 **BRIAN THOMPSON:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS BRIAN THOMPSON, I'M
12 A SUPERVISING ATTORNEY AT THE CHILDREN'S LAW CENTER IN LOS
13 ANGELES. AS I'M SURE YOU ALL KNOW, WE REPRESENT OVER 33,000
14 CHILDREN IN THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM IN LOS ANGELES AND
15 SACRAMENTO COUNTIES. FIRST WE'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISORS
16 KUEHL AND KNABE FOR THIS IMPORTANT MOTION. AND WE'D ALSO LIKE
17 TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR CONTINUED FIGHT TO
18 END THIS COMMERCIAL SEX TRAFFICKING OF CHILDREN. WE ARE VERY
19 MUCH IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION. WE THINK IT'S ANOTHER GOOD
20 STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. WE APPLAUD THE SHERIFF'S
21 DEPARTMENT AND THE BOARD AGAIN FOR MAKING THOSE STATEMENTS AND
22 THE SEA CHANGE THAT'S TAKING PLACE WITH REGARD TO HOW WE TAKE
23 A LOOK AT THESE MOST VULNERABLE VICTIMS. WE DO THINK, HOWEVER,
24 THAT THERE ARE SOME IMPORTANT GAPS THAT NEED TO BE ADDRESSED
25 TO FURTHER SUPPORT THE NEED OF THESE CHILD VICTIMS. CURRENTLY,

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1 WE ARE SEEING SOME CHILDREN STILL BEING ARRESTED AND
2 PROSECUTED FOR PROSTITUTION IN SOME OF THESE AREAS THAT AREN'T
3 IN THE PILOT PROJECT. AND WE'RE THANKFUL AND GLAD THAT THE
4 PILOT PROJECT IS NOW GOING TO GO COUNTY-WIDE. SECONDLY,
5 THOUGH, WE BELIEVE THAT WE NEED TO INCLUDE THE DEPENDENCY
6 COURT SYSTEM, AS WELL, IN ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF THESE
7 CHILDREN. YOU SEE, WE NEED TO FIND OUT WHERE THE PIMPS ARE
8 GOING SO WE CAN RECOGNIZE AND MEET THEM THERE WITH SERVICES SO
9 WE GET TO THESE KIDS AND THESE CHILDREN BEFORE THE POLICE DO.
10 SO WE ASK-- THERE'S CURRENTLY A PLAN IN PLACE TO DEVELOP A
11 COURT SYSTEM THAT'S VERY SIMILAR TO THE STAR COURT SYSTEM IN
12 DEPENDENCY COURT, AS WELL. AND WE THINK THAT THERE'S A PLAN IN
13 PLACE AND WE THINK THAT PLAN WILL WORK. BUT WE ALSO RECOGNIZE
14 THE NEED FOR THIS BOARD TO GIVE THE NECESSARY RESOURCES THAT'S
15 REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT SUCH A PLAN. IT'S GOING TO TAKE PEOPLE
16 POWER. IT'S GOING TO TAKE LAWYERS, SOCIAL WORKERS, ADVOCATES,
17 SURVIVORS, ET CETERA. WE HAVE A GREAT PLAN BUT IT NEEDS TO BE
18 FUNDED AND STAFFED. AND THE CHILD WELFARE PROGRAMS, THEY ALL
19 HAVE TO BE TRAINED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP PHYLLIS DOHERTY
22 AND TERRY SIGMUND. MR. PREVEN?

23

24 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, GOOD MORNING, SIR. IT'S ERIC PREVEN, A
25 COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3 AND I WOULD APPLAUD THE BOARD

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1 FOR THIS PARTICULAR MOVE WHICH IS VERY SPECIFIC, AS I
2 UNDERSTAND IT. THIS IS TO PROVIDE AND BE SURE THAT THERE ARE
3 VICTIM ADVOCATES NOT JUST FOR VICTIMS BUT ALSO FOR WITNESSES,
4 WHICH I THINK IS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT BECAUSE THAT IS A BIG
5 PART OF RESOLVING THIS ISSUE. THE OTHER THING WE SHOULD BE
6 DOING, BRUCKNER WAS MAYBE TALKING TO KNABE ABOUT IT THIS
7 MORNING AT THE RAIL, BECAUSE I BROUGHT IT UP BEFORE. I KNOW
8 THEY GET EXCITED ON C.S.E.C. DAY. MAYBE WE SHOULD VOTE AT
9 SHUTTING DOWN THE FACILITIES WHERE THE OVERWHELMING
10 PREPONDERANCE OF THIS ACTIVITY TAKE PLACE, DOWN LONG BEACH
11 BOULEVARD AND OTHER PLACES. THAT MIGHT BE A GOOD PLACE TO
12 START IN THAT SPACE. THAT WOULD BE A GOOD AREA. THE OTHER
13 THOUGHT I HAVE WHICH IS A GOOD IDEA TO GET THESE KIDS AWAY
14 FROM THE PIMPS, WHICH IS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT. WHAT ABOUT
15 GETTING A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP WITH SOUTHWEST AIRLINES
16 WHERE WE CAN MAKE A PARTNERSHIP WITH ONE OF THE NORTHERN
17 CALIFORNIA CHILDREN'S SERVICES GROUPS TO GET THE KIDS TO
18 ANOTHER PLACE? BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE LAZY. I MEAN I KNOW THEY CAN
19 GET THERE, BUT IT'S ONE WAY TO HELP THEM FACILITATE AN ESCAPE
20 AND IT'S A GOOD IDEA. THE OTHER THING, AND THIS IS IMPORTANT,
21 AGE REALLY DOES MATTER HERE, GUYS, BECAUSE AS WE KNOW, PEOPLE
22 DON'T TELL THE TRUTH ABOUT THEIR AGE AND STUFF. AND THERE WAS
23 AN ARTICLE IN THE NEW YORK TIMES TODAY, MAYOR ANTONOVICH, I
24 KNOW YOU READ THAT PAPER ON A REGULAR BASIS, THAT THIS GUY
25 ZACHARY ANDERSON, 19-YEAR-OLD WHO WAS ARRESTED FOR HAVING SEX

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1 WITH A 14-YEAR-OLD, THAT SHE HAD LIED. AND SO THERE WAS
2 CONFUSION. NEITHER OF THEM WERE PROSTITUTES. AND THE GUY GOT A
3 HAMMER JOB BY THE COURTS. AND IT WAS SORT OF 25 YEARS. JUST A
4 TERRIBLE SET OF CRIMES. NOW THIS CAME UP WHEN YOU ALL WERE
5 TRYING TO TURN PROSTITUTION AT ANY AGE INTO A FELONY OR
6 SOMETHING, WHICH IS BAD. AND ANOTHER THING THAT'S GOING ON IN
7 L.A. COUNTY, L.A. CITY RIGHT NOW YOU'LL KNOW BECAUSE OF THE
8 TOWING LOBBY, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND MITCH ENGLANDER WHO'S
9 RUNNING FOR YOUR SEAT, SIR, THESE GUYS ARE TRYING TO MAKE THE
10 VEHICLES FAIR GAME FOR TOW COMPANIES PRIOR TO DUE PROCESS IN
11 THESE CASES, WHICH THE COUNTY COUNSEL WILL REMIND, IS A
12 TERRIBLE IDEA. SO THOUGH I'M INCREDIBLY SUPPORTIVE OF WHAT
13 YOU'RE DOING, AND C.S.E.C. TRAINING SHOULD MAKE THAT HAPPEN TO
14 ALL THE FOLKS WHO CONTACT WITH THESE INDIVIDUALS. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS?

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18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING AGAIN ARNOLD SACHS.
19 AND A FEW THINGS. SURE, GET THE FLAGS OUT AND WAVE. IT IS A
20 TERRIBLE THING, BUT IT'S NOT A TERRIBLE THING THAT JUST
21 STARTED HAPPENING. ALL YOUR CAREERS IN GOVERNMENT THIS HAS
22 BEEN A SITUATION THAT EXISTED. SO THE QUESTION COULD BE ASKED:
23 WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN FOR THE LAST 10 OR 15 YEARS? I KNOW,
24 DEVELOPING A PLAN. BUT LET'S TALK ABOUT A FEW DEVELOPMENTS
25 HERE. YOU HAVE FACILITIES IN MIND FOR THESE CHILDREN TO STAY

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1 AT FOR THE 72 HOURS THAT WAS QUOTED BY THE SHERIFF AS PART OF
2 THE PROTOCOL TO KEEP THEM AWAY, FOR A SAFE ENVIRONMENT. YOU
3 HAD AN ITEM ON YOUR AGENDA ABOUT COURT ATTORNEYS FOR JUVENILE
4 FOSTER CHILDREN. AND FROM HEARING STUDIES WE KNOW THAT THEY'RE
5 A VULNERABLE POPULATION AND HOW POORLY THEY'RE REPRESENTED IN
6 JUVENILE HEARINGS. THERE'S AN ITEM THAT YOU HAD ON YOUR AGENDA
7 IN STORIES THAT THE STATE WAIVES THE CRIMINAL RECORD FOR
8 PEOPLE WHO WANT TO OPERATE FAMILY HOMES, SO THAT CRIMINALS CAN
9 OPERATE FAMILY JUVENILE HOMES. HAVE YOU DONE ANYTHING ABOUT
10 THAT? BECAUSE I MAY BE STRETCHING IT A LITTLE BIT, BUT I THINK
11 THAT'S A PLACE WHERE YOU MIGHT FOSTER SEXUAL ABUSE TO SOME
12 DEGREE. YOU SAID THE SHERIFFS AND THE M.T.A. WHAT ABOUT THE
13 OTHER POLICE COMMUNITIES THAT DON'T INVOLVE THE SHERIFF? ARE
14 THEY BEING EDUCATED? THE CITY OF L.A. IS NOT A SHERIFF'S
15 DEPARTMENT. DO THEY HAVE PROTOCOLS THAT THEY USE? WHAT ABOUT
16 THE OTHER? LONG BEACH IS ANOTHER BIG CITY THAT DOESN'T HAVE
17 SHERIFF. DO THEY HAVE THEIR OWN PROTOCOL? AND THEN SEE
18 SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING. SOMEBODY SAY SOMETHING ABOUT THE
19 ATTORNEY THAT THE L.A.U.S.D. JUST RETIRED IN A CHILD ABUSE
20 CASE.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME GO TO ANTELOPE
23 VALLEY, NICOLE.

24

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** CAN I ADD THAT ALL POLICE AGENCIES ARE INVOLVED IN
2 THAT PROTOCOL COUNTY-WIDE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NICOLE?

5

6 **NICOLE PARSON:** YES. UM, WELL, HI. THAT WOULD BE LIKE A
7 SANCTUARY CITY. MR. PREVEN, YOU CAN'T AIR LIFT THE CHILDREN.
8 IT'S A GOOD IDEA TO SOMEWHERE ELSE BECAUSE IT WOULD TAKE A
9 BUS. FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION DOESN'T ALLOW, WELL, BUSES OR
10 TRAINS TO GO TO AIRPORTS OR BUSES TO GO TO BUS STATION THAT
11 DON'T CONNECT TO THE TRAIN LIKE SANTA CLARITA NEW TRANSIT
12 BECAUSE THEY DON'T. YOU CAN SORT OF DO IT. SO THIS IS THE
13 COVER LETTER AND THESE ARE STAPLED AND I HAVE EVERYTHING THAT
14 YOU MENTIONED ABOUT. OKAY. THIS IS THE COVER LETTER. IT SAYS
15 FIND THE MISSING INSURANCE COVERAGE. TO GET IT ALL TOGETHER,
16 YOU HAVE TO PUT THE COMPLAINTS IN ONE CENTRAL COMPLAINT. IT
17 GOES TO THIS. IT HAS A PAMPHLET AND THEN IT GOES TO CENTRAL
18 OFFICE, AND THEN THE NEXT OFFICE EXAMINES IT AND ALL THE WAY
19 TO THE STATE AND FEDERAL AND ALL THE WAY BACK DOWN. AND THEN
20 THIS ONE SAYS OH, PROTECT YOURSELF FROM ILLNESS AND TAX
21 PENALTIES. COVERED CALIFORNIA. THEN WE HAVE BRUSH FIRE LEADS
22 FREEWAY AND TWO HOMES. THAT'S BEAUTIFUL. AND THEN IF YOU WANT
23 TO SEE LIKE SLAVERY OR SOMETHING, BUT I WON'T SAY THAT BUT GO
24 TO LANCASTER E.D.D., HI YOU GUYS. LANCASTER E.D.D., AND IF YOU
25 LOOK AT IT, THEY HAVE A LITTLE WORKFORCE CENTER AND ALL THIS

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1 IS FOR THE PEOPLE. AND THE PEOPLE, THE WORKERS SIT DOWN AND
2 SAY, HOW CAN WE HELP YOU MAKE USE?

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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6 **NICOLE PARSON:** DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, NICOLE. OKAY, LOVE. OKAY,
9 YES, MA'AM.

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11 **TERRY SIGMUND:** YES, FIRST OF ALL FOREMOST, HOUSING IS A BIG
12 PROBLEM IN CHANGING THE WHOLE SEX EXPLOITATION FROM CHILDREN.
13 I HAPPEN TO MANAGE PROPERTY AND THERE'S FAR TOO MANY WOMEN
14 THAT I ENCOUNTER THAT ONLY CAN AFFORD TO RESPOND TO ADS ON
15 CRAIGSLIST WHERE A LOT OF THOSE PREDATORS ARE. SO IF YOU WERE
16 GENUINE, YOU COULD ACTUALLY PROSECUTE THEM WHEN THEY'RE
17 LOOKING FOR HOUSING WITH THEIR CHILDREN. AND THE PROBLEM IS:
18 THERE IS VERY EMPTY OFFICE BUILDINGS YOU HAVE DOWNTOWN THAT
19 I'D BE HAPPY TO FIND YOU A PERSON THAT COULD MANAGE THAT
20 PLACE. WE COULD PUT A LOT OF CHILDREN AND PARENTS, SINGLE
21 PARENTS IN THERE TO PREVENT EVEN GOING DOWN WHERE THEY ARE
22 SEPARATED, THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM IS THE FIRST PLACE WHERE ALL
23 THESE CHILDREN ARE BEING EXPLOITED. IN MY OWN CASE, MY
24 CHILDREN'S EXPLOITATION, I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING
25 WITH THAT CASE BECAUSE SOMEONE WAS SUPPOSED TO INTERVIEW THE

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1 CHILDREN AND HASN'T SHOWED UP. SO I SEE YOU'RE NOT INTERESTED
2 TO EVEN LOOK AT ME AND TELL ME IF THERE IS ANY FOLLOW UP. MOST
3 OF YOU ARE ACTUALLY NOT PAYING ANY ATTENTION TO WHAT I HAVE TO
4 SAY. I COULD TALK ABOUT CHRISTMAS RIGHT NOW. BUT I SEE HOW
5 IMPORTANT SEX EXPLOITATION IS TO YOU. IT'S NICE TO SEE. I
6 WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THAT CASE, THANK YOU,
7 RIDLEY-THOMAS. FINALLY I GRABBED YOUR ATTENTION. YOU DON'T
8 PROSECUTE PEOPLE THAT ARE GUILTY OF EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN
9 ENOUGH WOULD BE EVEN A DETERRENT. I KNOW THAT FROM MY OWN
10 CASES THAT I'VE LOOKED AT THAT PEOPLE I'VE MET, MY OWN FAMILY,
11 I'VE SEEN WHAT YOU LACK IN DOING. THIS SEEMS TO BE JUST
12 FUNNELING ABOUT MONEY HAVE EVERYBODY WILL PAT THEMSELVES ON
13 THE SHOULDER BUT THE PROBLEM IS NOT ADDRESSED. HOUSING IS A
14 VERY BIG ISSUE. BY MANAGING THESE PROPERTIES, I ENCOUNTER, WHY
15 ARE WOMEN WITH CHILDREN NOT KNOWING WHERE TO GO. AND THE ONLY
16 ADS IS GIVE ME SUGAR ON CRAIGSLIST. IT'S NOT SUGAR, IT'S SEX.
17 GIVE ME SEX, FOR THESE WOMEN TO HAVE A PLACE.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

20

21 **PHYLLIS DAUGHERTY:** PHYLLIS DAUGHERTY, I'M DIRECTOR OF ANIMAL
22 ISSUES MOVEMENT, BUT I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF THE L.A. METRO HUMAN
23 TRAFFICKING TASKFORCE SINCE IT BEGAN. I WAS RECRUITED BY
24 CAPTAIN JACKSON WHILE I WAS SPEAKING ABOUT THE LINK BETWEEN
25 ANIMAL ABUSE AND HUMAN CRUELTY. I WANT TO ENCOURAGE YOU--

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1 FIRST OF ALL LET ME SAY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WAS ALWAYS A
2 LEADER ON THAT TASKFORCE. THEY WERE THE DRIVING FORCE BEHIND
3 IT. AND I WANT TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO INCLUDE ANIMAL CONTROL AND
4 A REPRESENTATIVES OR LET MARCIA DESIGNATE A REPRESENTATIVE,
5 BECAUSE THE FIRST MAJOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING CASE THAT WAS
6 PROSECUTED IN ORANGE COUNTY WAS A YOUNG GIRL WHO HAD BEEN HELD
7 AS A HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIM FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS IN A VERY,
8 VERY WEALTHY HOME IN ORANGE COUNTY. THEY WERE KEEPING HER ON
9 THE BACK PORCH HOUSING HER THERE. SHE WAS USED AS A SEX SLAVE
10 AND, AS WELL AS A DOMESTIC SERVANT. A NEIGHBOR HEARD HER
11 WHIMPERING AND CRYING AND THOUGHT AN ANIMAL WAS BEING ABUSED
12 AND CALLED ANIMAL CONTROL. ANIMAL CONTROL CAN ENTER UNDER
13 EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE THEY BELIEVE AN ANIMAL IS BEING
14 HARMED WITHOUT A SEARCH WARRANT. ONCE THEY'RE IN THERE AND
15 THEY SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING IF THEY'RE USING DOGS TO GUARD THESE
16 LOCATIONS AND INVOLVED IN DOGFIGHTING OR MANY, MANY THINGS, IT
17 IS AN ADVANTAGE BECAUSE THEY CAN CALL THE OTHER OFFICERS IN.
18 THIS LITTLE GIRL WAS SAVED AND THE CASE WAS PROSECUTED. I JUST
19 WANT TO REALLY ENCOURAGE THIS BECAUSE IT IS SUCH AN ASSET. AND
20 I WANT TO TELL YOU WHEN WE TAUGHT L.A. CITY ANIMAL CONTROL
21 OFFICERS ABOUT THIS, THEY WERE THE FIRST ONE TO GET THE BUMPER
22 STICKERS ON THEIR TRUCKS THAT SAID "NO HUMAN TRAFFICKING."
23 THEY WERE TOUCHED AND THEY WANTED TO BECOME ACTIVE. SO I KNOW
24 THE COUNTY WOULD DO THE SAME.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. OKAY. MOTION BY
2 SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SECOND BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. WITHOUT
3 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM 1-D AND 7. SUPERVISOR KNABE YOU
4 ARE RELEASING YOUR HOLD?

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** ASKED FOR A CONTINUANCE AND WITHDRAWING THE
7 REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU'RE WITHDRAWING. SO ITEM 1-D AND 7.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR AND
12 COLLEAGUES. WITH YOUR PERMISSION, MR. MAYOR, THE MATTER OF
13 ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IN THIS MOTION SEEKS TO
14 ADDRESS THAT. GLAD TO BE HERE TO SPEAK TO IT AFTER TWO YEARS
15 OF DEVELOPMENT, A LOT OF INPUT. SEVERAL PERSONS ARE HERE TO BE
16 HEARD. BOTH SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND MYSELF BRING THIS MOTION
17 FORWARD. MAY I ASK THAT THE SPEAKERS WHO ARE HERE BE AFFORDED
18 THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD, MR. MAYOR? AND I WILL SPEAK TO
19 THE SUBSTANCE OF THE MOTION AND ASK FOR THE BOARD TO DISPOSE
20 OF IT ACCORDINGLY.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GARY TOEBBEN. MARTHA ESCUTIA BILL
23 ALLEN, GOETZ WOLFF. CHRISTINE RANGEL

24

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1 **GARY TOEBBEN:** MAYOR ANTONOVICH, AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
2 SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS GARY TOEBBEN, I'M PRESIDENT OF THE LOS
3 ANGELES AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND I'M HERE TODAY IN SUPPORT
4 OF AGENDA ITEMS 1-D AND 7 TO CREATE AND FUND THE COUNTY
5 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND. WE APPLAUD YOUR FOCUS ON
6 SMALL BUSINESS AND MANUFACTURING, EMERGING SECTORS, CATALYTIC
7 PROJECTS AND ATTRACTING FOREIGN INVESTMENT AND PROMOTING
8 EXPORTS. ALL OF THOSE AREAS ARE HIGH PRIORITIES FOR THE LOS
9 ANGELES AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND OUR MEMBERS. WE SUPPORT
10 THE INITIAL FUNDING OF \$965,000 FOR THE TRUST FUND AND YOUR
11 PLAN TO INCREASE FUNDING TO \$15 MILLION IN '20, '21, '22. AND
12 WE ALSO LOOK FORWARD TO SERVING AT YOUR PLEASURE ON THE
13 ADVISORY COMMITTEES YOU PLAN TO ESTABLISH. YOU ARE CORRECT
14 THAT THE ECONOMIC RECOVERY HAS NOT REACHED EVERYONE IN LOS
15 ANGELES COUNTY, AND WE URGE YOU TO TAKE EVERY OPPORTUNITY, NOW
16 AND IN THE FUTURE, TO CREATE INITIATIVES THAT WILL ESTABLISH
17 MORE JOBS AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY
18 RESIDENTS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **MARTHA ESCUTIA:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. MY NAME IS MARTHA AND
23 I'M VICE PRESIDENT FOR GOVERNMENT RELATIONS AT U.S.C. AND
24 U.S.C.'S ALSO A MEMBER OF THE L.A. COUNTY BIOSCIENCE REGIONAL
25 TASKFORCE. WE ARE HERE TO ADD OUR SUPPORT TO THE MOTION BY

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1 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND HILDA SOLIS TO ESTABLISH A
2 COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND. AT A TIME IN WHICH
3 POVERTY AND INCOME INEQUALITY ARE STILL PERVASIVE PROBLEMS, WE
4 BELIEVE AT U.S.C. THAT A REGIONAL APPROACH TO ECONOMIC
5 DEVELOPMENT IS NEEDED SO THAT ALL LIVES ARE LIFTED AT THE SAME
6 TIME. THE STRENGTH OF UNIVERSITIES IS OUR INTELLECTUAL
7 CAPITAL. AND THIS SHOULD BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ECONOMIC
8 DEVELOPMENT EFFORT. U.S.C. IS VERY INTERESTED IN CREATING AN
9 INNOVATION DISTRICT IN L.A. COUNTY, SPECIFICALLY IN BOYLE
10 HEIGHTS, WITH BOTH THE L.A. COUNTY HOSPITAL AS WELL AS U.S.C
11 HOSPITALS, OUR UNIVERSITY AND THE MEDICAL SCHOOL AS ANCHOR
12 INSTITUTIONS. OUR BIOSCIENCE FOOTPRINT IS CRITICAL TO SUCCESS
13 OF SUCH INNOVATION DISTRICTS, WHICH WE SEE AS A NATURAL
14 COMPONENT TO THE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND. WE
15 ARE PLEASED THAT THE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND
16 WILL INVEST IN EMERGING PROJECTS SUCH AS BIOSCIENCE AND
17 CATALYTIC PROJECTS. AS YOU WELL KNOW, BIOSCIENCE HUBS ARE
18 BEING IDENTIFIED ALL OVER L.A. COUNTY. AND MOST OF THEM ARE
19 ATTACHED TO A COUNTY HOSPITAL AND THE UNIVERSITY PARTNER. THE
20 BIOSCIENCE REVOLVING LOAN FUND WOULD BE A LIFELINE TO STARTUPS
21 WHICH STRUGGLE WITH RAISING CAPITAL AS WELL AS FACING MANY
22 MANAGERIAL CHALLENGES. AS PART OF OUR INTELLECTUAL CAPITAL,
23 U.S.C., CAL TECH AND U.C.L.A.HAVE HAVE FORMED AN INNOVATION
24 HUB IN WHICH WE ARE HELPING UNIVERSITY PARTNERS ADAPT THEIR
25 BIOSCENCE DISCOVERIES AND BRING THEM TO COMMERCIAL MARKET. WE

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1 ALSO ASSIST MINORITY ENTREPRENEURS IN ACCESSING CAPITAL AS
2 WELL AS ACCESSING MARKETS AND PROVIDING STRATEGIC BUSINESS
3 CONSULTING. IN CONCLUSION, U.S.C. STANDS READY TO HELP YOU IN
4 THIS EFFORT FOR SUPERVISORS, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO MAKING IT
5 A WONDERFUL EFFORT ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP CECELIA
8 ESTOLANO.

9

10 **BILL ALLEN:** MAYOR ANTONOVICH, SUPERVISORS, GOOD MORNING. MY
11 NAME IS BILL ALLEN. I'M THE C.E.O. OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
12 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION WHOSE CENTRAL PURPOSE IS TO
13 IMPROVE STANDARDS OF LIVING FOR INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES AND
14 COMMUNITIES ALL ACROSS LOS ANGELES COUNTY. FOR OVER 34 YEARS
15 THE L.A.D.C. HAS HAD AN EXTREMELY PRODUCTIVE PARTNERSHIP WITH
16 THE COUNTY, SERVING AS ITS DESIGNATED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
17 CORPORATION DIRECTLY WORKING TOGETHER TO HELP OVER 200,000
18 L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS SECURE GOOD JOBS TO SUPPORT THEIR
19 FAMILIES. WITH THAT INCREDIBLE PARTNERSHIP IN MIND, I'M HERE
20 TODAY TO COMMEND SUPERVISORS RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SOLIS FOR CO-
21 AUTHORIZING THIS MOTION TO IMPLEMENT A COUNTYWIDE ECONOMIC AND
22 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND TO RESPECTFULLY ENCOURAGE
23 THE ENTIRE BOARD TO AFFIRMATIVELY SUPPORT THIS MOTION. THE
24 L.A. COUNTY ECONOMY, LIKE THE NATIONAL ONE, IS FAST
25 TRANSITIONING FROM AN INDUSTRIALIZED ECONOMY TO AN INFORMATION

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1 AGE ECONOMY, CHARACTERIZED BY INNOVATION INTENSIVE INDUSTRIES,
2 INCLUDING BIOSCIENCES WHICH THE COUNTY HAS MADE A TOP ECONOMIC
3 DEVELOPMENT PRIORITY IN THIS AND PREVIOUS MOTIONS, AND FOR
4 GOOD REASON. BIOSCIENCE IS A HIGHLY INNOVATION INTENSIVE
5 SECTOR WITH WELL PAYING JOBS ACROSS THE ENTIRE VALLEY CHAIN
6 CONTINUUM. INDEED, FROM SKILLED MACHINISTS TO TECHNICIANS AND
7 CLINICIANS, TO ENGINEERS, SCIENTISTS AND RESEARCHERS THAT WILL
8 DEVELOP AND COMMERCIALIZE THE NEXT WAVE OF LIFESAVING
9 THERAPIES AND MEDICAL DEVICES, THE BIOSCIENCE INDUSTRY HAS
10 HIGH VALUE, HIGH WAGE JOBS FOR ALMOST EVERY LEVEL OF JOB
11 SEEKER. AND IMPORTANTLY, BIOSCIENCE FIRMS LIKE OTHER TRADE
12 INDUSTRIES SELL GOODS AND SERVICES OUTSIDE THE REGION THEY'RE
13 LOCATED, BRINGING CAPITAL INVESTMENT AND PROSPERITY BACK INTO
14 OUR REGION AND ALONG WITH IT BENEFICIAL EFFECTS FOR THE REST
15 OF OUR ECONOMY, INCLUDING NEW JOBS AND INCREASING INCOMES.
16 THIS VIRTUOUS ECONOMIC CYCLE PROVIDES US WITH THE BEST
17 OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE OVERALL PROSPERITY ACROSS L.A. COUNTY.
18 INDUSTRY CLUSTER CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMS CAN ALSO HELP
19 STRENGTHEN AND GROW OTHER EXPORT RELATED INDUSTRIES IN
20 ADDITION TO BIOSCIENCES FOCUSING ON INNOVATION INTENSIVE
21 INDUSTRIES IN WHICH L.A. COUNTY HAS COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES,
22 LIKE ADVANCED TRANSPORTATION, UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEMS, CYBER
23 SECURITY AND DIGITAL MEDIA. IT'S IMPERATIVE THAT THESE
24 PROGRAMS BE STRUCTURED IN A WAY TO INCREASE EMPLOYMENT
25 OPPORTUNITIES FOR RESIDENTS IN ALL COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE

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1 COUNTY, WITH AN EMPHASIS ON DEVELOPING AND IMPLEMENTING
2 STRATEGIES TO ASSIST UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, BILL. AND ALSO I CALL UP
5 CHRISTINE RANGEL, RIGHT? AND BEN MARTINEZ.

6

7 **CHRISTINE RANGEL:** GOOD MORNING. AND THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME
8 THE OPPORTUNITY TO TESTIFY ON BEHALF OF THE BUILDING INDUSTRY
9 ASSOCIATION, LOS ANGELES AND VENTURA COUNTY CHAPTER IN REGARDS
10 TO THE COUNTY ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. THE
11 PROPOSED MOTION IS A POSITIVE FIRST STEP IN THE REBUILDING AND
12 REVITALIZATION OF OUR BUSINESS AND RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITIES AND
13 WE APPLAUD THE COUNTY FOR LOOKING AT AN ADHESIVE ECONOMIC
14 FRAMEWORK IN LIGHT OF A.B.2. A PART OF ANY ROBUST ECONOMIC
15 DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY IS ENSURING HOUSING. WHILE THE PROGRAM
16 IDENTIFIES THE IMPORTANCE OF PROVIDING ECONOMIC GROWTH AND THE
17 ABILITY TO PRODUCE HIGH QUALITY FAMILY-SUPPORTING JOBS, IT
18 OVERLOOKS WHERE OR HOW WE WILL HOUSE THE WORKFORCE.
19 INCREASINGLY BUSINESS SECTORS ARE EXPRESSING CONCERNS
20 REGARDING THE HOUSING CRISIS, UNDERSTANDING THAT THE COUNTY
21 SUPPLY/DEMAND ISSUE MEANS THAT MANY OF OUR POTENTIAL EMPLOYEES
22 WILL NOT BE ABLE TO AFFORD TO RENT OR OWN IN THE COUNTY. WE
23 MUST HAVE HOUSING TO SUPPORT OUR WORKFORCE. WE ARE ENCOURAGED
24 BY THE ECONOMIC TRUST FUND STRATEGIES SET FORTH IN THE MOTION
25 AND HOPE THAT THESE STRATEGIES WILL SPUR THE COUNTY TO LOOK AT

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1 DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS THAT ARE FUNDED THROUGH A SIMILAR
2 FRAMEWORK. WE HOPE THAT THESE STRATEGIES WILL BE INCLUDED IN
3 THE MOTION. ALSO, THE COUNTY HAS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY IN
4 IDENTIFYING UNDERUTILIZED AND CAPITALIZING ON ITS UTILIZATION
5 OR EXPANSION. THIS COULD GENERATE ADDITIONAL INCOME OR PRESENT
6 OPPORTUNITIES FOR COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT. THE MOTION NOTES
7 THAT C.D.C. MUST REPORT BACK AND CONSULT WITH THE DEPARTMENT
8 OF REGIONAL PLANNING, AMONGST OTHERS. AT THAT TIME WE SUGGEST
9 STRATEGIES FOR A STREAMLINED PERMITTING PROCESS IN THESE
10 COMMUNITIES BE EXAMINED. THE INITIATIVE ACKNOWLEDGES THE LACK
11 OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND DIRECTS THE COUNTY TO INVESTIGATE
12 THE POTENTIAL USE OF THESE TOOLS BUT DOES NOT PROVIDE ANY
13 STRATEGIES FOR WHICH WE CAN FILL THE VOID. IN THE NUMBER OF
14 OBSTACLES THAT MAKE IT DIFFICULT TO BUILD, DEFINED STRATEGIES
15 MUST BE INCLUDED REALISTICALLY IN ORDER FOR HOUSING TO BE
16 PROVIDED. THANK YOU.

17
18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP RON MUKAI. YES,
19 SIR.

20
21 **GOETZ WOLFF:** I'M GOETZ WOLFF. I'VE BEEN A PROFESSOR OF URBAN
22 PLANNING AT U.C.L.A. FOR 25 YEARS AND CONSULTANT ON ECONOMIC
23 DEVELOPMENT ISSUES. DURING THAT TIME PERIOD, I HAVE WITNESSED
24 THE EBB AND FLOW OF RESOURCES TO SUPPORT INDUSTRIAL
25 DEVELOPMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. AND I APPLAUD THE

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1 EFFORTS HERE THAT THIS IS A RENEWAL OF THE KIND OF FOCUS THAT
2 IS NEEDED TO PROVIDE NOT ONLY JOBS BUT QUALITY EXPERIENCES FOR
3 THE WHOLE FAMILIES THAT ARE INVOLVED IN THESE KIND OF JOBS. MY
4 PAST WORK ON FOCUSING ON INDUSTRY CLUSTER WORK FOR THE CITY OF
5 LOS ANGELES AND WORKING WITH THE COUNTY, PRIVATE INDUSTRY
6 COUNCIL, THERE HAVE BEEN REPEATED EFFORTS AND I THINK THIS IS
7 AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE NEED TO FOCUS
8 THE RESOURCES THAT HAVE BEEN LOST IN PART BECAUSE OF THE LOSS
9 OF C.R.A. MONEY TO PUT IT IN THE DIRECTION OF THE KIND OF
10 GROWTH NOT ONLY IN ADVANCED INDUSTRIES BUT ALSO IN
11 MANUFACTURING. I'M GLAD TO SEE THAT THERE IS ATTENTION BEING
12 PAID IN THE EFFORT BY THIS PROPOSAL TO ADDRESS ISSUES OF
13 MANUFACTURING BECAUSE THOSE ARE THE KIND OF JOBS WHICH MAY
14 WELL INCLUDE PEOPLE WHO DON'T HAVE THE ADVANCED SKILLS WHICH
15 MIGHT BE ASSOCIATED WITH THE HIGH TECHNOLOGY KIND OF JOBS.
16 CLEARLY, THE LONG-TERM WELL-BEING OF OUR COUNTY DEPENDS ON A
17 BALANCED ECONOMIC BACKGROUND NOT ONLY FOCUSING ON ONE SECTOR
18 OR ANOTHER BUT BEING ABLE TO RECOGNIZE THE DIMENSIONS OF EACH
19 OF THOSE KIND OF SECTORS. THIS IS THE KIND OF RESEARCH I'VE
20 DONE IN THE PAST AND WANT TO REALLY ENCOURAGE THE COUNTY TO
21 MOVE FORWARD ON THIS AND I'M DELIGHTED TO BE IN ENTHUSIASTIC
22 SUPPORT OF THIS.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

25

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

2

3 **CECILIA ESTOLANO:** CECILIA ESTOLANO WITH ESTOLANO LESAR PEREZ
4 ADVISORS, AND WE WERE THE CONSULTING FIRM THAT WORKED WITH
5 L.A.C.D.C. TO PROVIDE THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IMPLEMENTATION
6 ROAD MAP WHICH FORMED THE BASIS OF THIS MOTION. BUT I'M
7 DELIGHTED TO SEE THE MOTION. IT TOOK OUR RECOMMENDATION, OUR
8 FRAMEWORK, ENHANCED IT AND REFINED IT AND ALSO BROUGHT IN
9 ELEMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN NEW DEVELOPMENTS SUCH AS THE E.I.F.D.S
10 AND THE A.B.2 C.R.I.A.S. WE ARE VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THIS MOTION,
11 PARTICULARLY BECAUSE IT'S COMPREHENSIVE, IT'S MULTIFACETED.
12 ITS EMPHASIS ON GOOD PAYING SECTORS AND WORKING IN
13 PARTNERSHIPS WITH REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GROUPS FROM
14 THE DIFFERENT SUBREGIONS WITHIN OUR COUNTY IS ESSENTIAL. I
15 ALSO MIGHT ADD THE EMPHASIS ON SMALL BUSINESS AND
16 MANUFACTURING IS ALSO VERY IMPORTANT. THOSE ARE GOOD PAYING
17 JOBS AS PROFESSOR WOLFF TALKED ABOUT. AND IT'S NOT A
18 COINCIDENCE THAT NEXT MONDAY, THE URBAN MANUFACTURING
19 ALLIANCE, A NATIONAL MANUFACTURING GROUP, IS GOING TO BE
20 HOLDING A CONFERENCE HERE IN LOS ANGELES ABOUT MANUFACTURING
21 L.A. WHY WE ARE SUCH AN IMPORTANT CENTER. WE ARE-- REMAIN THE
22 LARGEST MANUFACTURING CENTER IN THE COUNTRY. AND LASTLY ON THE
23 ISSUE OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING. THIS BOARD HAS SHOWN TREMENDOUS
24 LEADERSHIP IN THE PAST IN SETTING ASIDE SOME OF THE RECAPTURED
25 REDEVELOPMENT FUNDS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING. BY EXPLORING

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1 ENHANCED INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE DISTRICTS AND A.B.2 C.R.I.A.S.,
2 I WON'T SAY THE ENTIRE NAME, C.R.I.A.S, THAT ALSO AFFORDS AN
3 OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK AT OTHER STRATEGIES FOR CAPTURING
4 INCREASED PROPERTY TAX REVENUES FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN A
5 TARGETED WAY. THIS IS A GOOD FIRST STEP. THAT'S A VERY, VERY
6 SIGNIFICANT ISSUE TO LOOK AT. IT CAN'T ALL BE FIGURED OUT IN
7 90 DAYS OR ONE MOTION. SO I APPLAUD THE MAKERS OF THE MOTIONS
8 FOR THEIR COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH AND LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING
9 WHAT COMES FROM IT.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP CAROL SHAW AND
14 PAIGE COSADA. YES.

15

16 **BENJAMIN MARTINEZ:** I'M BENJAMIN MARTINEZ. I WORK WITH THE CITY
17 OF PICO RIVERA BUT I'M HERE REPRESENTING THE GATEWAY CITIES
18 C.O.G. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WORKING GROUP. HERE THIS MORNING
19 TO SIMPLY BE IN SUPPORT OF THIS ITEM 1-D, AND ASK THAT THE
20 COUNTY CONTINUE TO REMEMBER THOSE CITIES IN THE OUTSIDE OF THE
21 UNINCORPORATED AREA. WE WANT TO WORK WITH YOU. WE HAVE OUR OWN
22 STRATEGIES AND FUNDING, THE GATEWAY CITIES C.O.G., FOR
23 INSTANCE, IS JUST ABOUT THE TO ADOPT THEIR NEW S.E.D.S.
24 STRATEGY THROUGH THE E.D.A., AND CITIES ARE DOING A LOT
25 LOCALLY. AND WE KNOW THESE BUSINESSES. WE'RE SMALLER, WE'RE

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1 MORE NIMBLE. AND WE KNOW WHAT THEY NEED, BUT WE NEED MORE
2 RESOURCES. SO I THINK WORKING TOGETHER IS THE BEST WAY TO
3 ADDRESS THIS SITUATION. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP LORI
6 JACKSON. YES, SIR.

7

8 **RON MUKAI:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THANKS FOR
9 HAVING ME. AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS, HOW ARE YOU? MY NAME IS RON
10 MUKAI, MY FAMILY HAVE BEEN IN EAST L.A. FOR THREE GENERATIONS.
11 I'M A PRACTICING ATTORNEY. I DEVELOP PROPERTY. I'M A SMALL
12 BUSINESS OWNER. I'VE BEEN ON THE BOARDS OF THE EAST L.A.
13 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, THE MONTEVUE BUSINESSPERSON ASSOCIATION.
14 REAL ACTIVE IN THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY, PRETTY MUCH GO TO EVERY
15 MEETING. I'M IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION FOR ECONOMIC
16 DEVELOPMENT. MY FAMILY AND I ARE RECIPIENTS OF THESE PROGRAMS
17 BACK IN THE LATE 90S AND EARLY 2000S. LET ME TELL YOU IT MADE
18 A DIFFERENCE. FOR EXAMPLE, THIS FACADE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.
19 I'M IN STRONG SUPPORT OF THAT. I THINK THAT WHEN THE COUNTY
20 COMES TOGETHER AND INVESTS MONEY IN THE COMMUNITY, WHAT IT
21 DOES IS IT GIVES THE BUSINESS OWNERS HOPE. AND IT GIVES THEM
22 THE COURAGE TO INVEST THEIR OWN MONEY. AND OUR FAMILY IS A
23 PERFECTS EXAMPLE OF THAT. NICOLE ENGLAND HELPED ME COURT A
24 CAREER OF THE C.D.C. I SEE MANY FACES IN THIS ROOM THAT HELPED
25 OUR FAMILY WHEN WE NEEDED IT. NOT ONLY DID IT WORK OUT WELL

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1 FOR OUR FAMILY BUT I THINK IT WORKED OUT WELL FOR EAST L.A.
2 BECAUSE WE, IN TURN, HAD THE COURAGE TO PUT UP OUR OWN FUNDS
3 AND MAKE SOMETHING HAPPEN. AND I THINK COMMUNITY BENEFITED
4 FROM THAT PARTNERSHIP. I COULDN'T SAY ENOUGH THINGS ABOUT
5 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. I ENCOURAGE YOU FOLKS TO DO IT. AND
6 INVOLVE LOCAL BUSINESS OWNERS BECAUSE WHERE THE RUBBER MEETS
7 THE ROAD WE CAN TELL YOU HOW TO STREAMLINE THE PROCESS, WHAT'S
8 WORKING, WHAT'S NOT WORKING. I'LL HELP YOU GUYS IN ANY WAY I
9 CAN. I WANT TO THANK THE SUPERVISOR FOR HER SUPPORT OF NOT
10 ONLY OUR FAMILY AND OUR BUSINESSES BUT FOR HELPING OUR FAMILY
11 IN GENERAL.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP ADAM
14 LANE AND ZUHEY ESPINOSA.

15

16 **CAROLYN SHAW:** MY NAME IS CAROLYN SHAW. I OWN AND OPERATE
17 C.J.'S ELEGANCE ON WEST SLAUSON IN THE SLAUSON CORRIDOR. WE
18 HAVE ALSO OWNED OUR PROPERTY SHARES, AND WITH THE
19 REVITALIZATION OF THIS COMMUNITY HAVE SHOWN A GREAT DEAL OF
20 COMMUNITY SUPPORT. THE COMMUNITY HAS BEEN SO HAPPY WE'RE
21 GETTING PHONE CALLS. WE'RE GETTING TRAFFIC FROM PEOPLE THAT
22 NEVER SHOPPED IN OUR LITTLE VILLAGE. AND WE'RE SO PROUD TO SAY
23 THAT WITH THE SUPPORT OF MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS'S STAFF AND
24 THROUGH THE SUPERVISOR COMING IN FOR OVER 30 YEARS WE'VE BEEN
25 TRYING TO GET THIS DONE. AND WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDYING

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1 SUPPORT AND TO HIS STAFF THAT HAVE COME OUT TO BE SO
2 SUPPORTIVE IN DIRECTING US AND HELPING US. IN OVER 50 YEARS,
3 WE HAVE JUST ABOUT-- NEARLY 50 YEARS, WE'VE OWNED OUR BUSINESS
4 THERE AND NOW WITH JUST THE REVITALIZATION AND THE FACADE
5 IMPROVEMENT, NOW THE BUSINESSES CAN GO IN AND IMPROVE THE
6 INSIDE OF THEIR BUILDINGS. WE THANK THE SUPERVISOR AND WE'RE
7 IN FAVOR TOTALLY OF THIS. THANK YOU FOR HAVING US HERE TO
8 SPEAK TODAY.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP PETER
11 HONG AND ALEX GUERRERO. YES, MA'AM.

12

13 **LORINEE JACKSON:** HELLO. MY NAME IS LORINEE JACKSON. I
14 REPRESENT THE COMMUNITIES OF VIEW PARK AND WINDSOR HILLS. I AM
15 IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION TO SUPPORT FUNDING THE ECONOMIC
16 DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I AM A LIFETIME
17 VIEW PARK RESIDENT. SINCE MY TEENAGE YEARS I HAVE HAD AN
18 ACTIVE INTEREST IN THE COMMUNITY THAT I LOVE DEARLY. I HAVE
19 WORKED DILIGENTLY, SERVED ON BOARDS, CHAIRED COMMITTEES,
20 HEADED UP PROJECTS, ALL MAINTAINING THE QUALITY OF LIFE AND
21 BETTERMENT OF OUR COMMUNITY. I HAVE SEEN THINGS COME AND GO
22 AND COME AGAIN. CURRENTLY MANY EXCITING CHANGES ARE TAKING
23 PLACE AROUND US, THE REVITALIZATION OF THE SLAUSON CORRIDOR
24 BEING ONE OF THEM. IT HAS BEEN A LONG TIME COMING, AND OUR
25 COMMUNITY WELCOMES THIS MUCH NEEDED AND DESERVED FACELIFT. FOR

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1 MANY YEARS ADVOCATES HAVE ADVOCATED FOR UPGRADES AND
2 ENHANCEMENTS THAT REFLECT THE PURCHASING POWER AND STATURE OF
3 THE UNIQUE NEIGHBORHOOD WE LIVE IN. THE HOMEOWNERS ARE HOPEFUL
4 THAT THE PROJECT WILL MAXIMIZE PROPERTY VALUES AND PROVIDE
5 BUSINESSES AND AMENITIES THAT WILL BETTER SERVE THE OVER 4500
6 HOMEOWNERS THAT LIVE IN THE VIEW PARK WINDSOR HILLS AREA AND
7 THE AREAS ADJACENT TO OUR COMMUNITY. I HAVE WITNESSED MYSELF
8 WHAT THE COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION EFFORTS HAVE DONE FOR THE
9 SOUTH SIDE OF SLAUSON AT OVERHILL THAT ARE CREATING THE
10 ECONOMIC VITALITY FOR BOTH NEW AND PREVIOUSLY EXISTING
11 BUSINESSES AS WELL AS PROVIDING A HEIGHTENED SENSE OF
12 COMMUNITY. THE REVITALIZATION PROJECT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO US.
13 COMMUNITY IS GRATEFUL AND SUPPORTS THE REVITALIZATION EFFORTS
14 AND IS LOOKING FORWARD TO A SLAUSON AVENUE WE CAN BE PROUD OF.
15 THANK YOU.

16
17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP ALEX
18 DAVIS. YES, SIR.

19
20 **ADAM LANE:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ADAM LANE. I'M THE
21 LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES BUSINESS COUNCIL. I'M
22 HERE TO EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT TO ESTABLISH THE COUNTYWIDE
23 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND. AS AN ORGANIZATION WITH OVER
24 400 MEMBERS REPRESENTING VARIOUS BUSINESS SECTORS ACROSS LOS
25 ANGELES, WE BELIEVE THIS MOTION WILL INCENTIVIZE INVESTMENT

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1 AND EMPLOYMENT-GENERATED PROJECTS THAT SUPPORT BUSINESS GROWTH
2 IN L.A. COUNTY. THE L.A.B.C. WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISORS
3 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SOLIS FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP ON THIS ISSUE AND
4 FOR INVOLVING THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY IN THIS PROCESS. THIS
5 MOTION WILL BE CRUCIAL IN ENCOURAGING THE GROWTH OF LOS
6 ANGELES COUNTY'S MANUFACTURING JOBS, TURNING BLIGHTED AREAS
7 INTO ATTRACTIVE BUSINESS CENTERS AND CONTINUING THE GROWTH OF
8 KEY INDUSTRIES IN THE COUNTY. WE'RE ESPECIALLY PLEASED WITH
9 THE MOTION'S REQUEST TO ALLOCATE 100,000 FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT
10 OF A WORKING GROUP OF STAKEHOLDERS TO DEVELOP PARAMETERS FOR A
11 CATALYTIC DEVELOPMENT FUND. WE BELIEVE THE FUND CAN BE A GREAT
12 TOOL TO HAVE TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT AND WORKFORCE
13 HOUSING. LOS ANGELES NEEDS OVER 500,000 ADDITIONAL AFFORDABLE
14 RENTAL HOMES, AND WITH THE LOSS OF \$466 MILLION FOR AFFORDABLE
15 HOUSING IN LOS ANGELES, LARGELY DUE TO THE DISSOLUTION OF
16 COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES, THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A
17 CATALYTIC DEVELOPMENT FUND WILL BE CRUCIAL FOR PROJECTS THAT
18 ENCOURAGE AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND WORKFORCE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT
19 THAT CONNECTS ANGELINOS TO THEIR JOBS. THE L.A.B.C. HOPES TO
20 BE A PART OF THIS WORKING GROUP OF STAKEHOLDERS AND IS EXCITED
21 TO SEE WHAT THE GROUP CAN ACCOMPLISH. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP RACHEL
24 HORNING. PETER?

25

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1 **PETER HONG:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND MEMBERS OF
2 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO
3 SPEAK TODAY AND THANK YOU MOST OF ALL FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP ON
4 THIS ISSUE. I'M DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF AND DIRECTOR OF STRATEGIC
5 INITIATIVES AT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY LOS ANGELES. THE
6 LEADERSHIP OF THE BOARD REALLY HAS BEEN VITAL TO THE LONG TERM
7 ECONOMIC GROWTH OF THE REGION. YOU'RE TO BE COMMENDED FOR
8 PUTTING RESOURCES AHEAD OF RHETORIC, TO PUSH FOR HIGH QUALITY
9 JOBS FOR THE BROADER POPULATION. BY THIS I MEAN THE KIND OF
10 JOBS THAT ENABLE WORKERS TO SUPPORT THEMSELVES AND THEIR
11 FAMILIES IN INDUSTRIES THAT CAN ALSO EMPLOY THEIR CHILDREN IN
12 THE FUTURE. THE CAL STATE L.A. STUDENTS ARE ENROLLED FROM ALL
13 OF YOUR DISTRICTS. WE SIT AT THE DYNAMIC JUNCTURE WHERE THE
14 EAST SIDE OF LOS ANGELES MEETS THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. THE
15 AREA WAS A CENTER FOR THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES THAT DROVE
16 LOS ANGELES'S ECONOMIC GROWTH IN THE SECOND HALF OF THE 20TH
17 CENTURY. TO SPARK A REVIVAL OF THAT INDUSTRIAL AGE, THE BOARD
18 OF SUPERVISORS HAS INVESTED \$3 MILLION IN THE CAL STATE L.A.
19 BIOSCIENCES INCUBATOR WHICH WILL CREATE JOBS FOR WORKERS AT
20 ALL LEVELS. THANKS TO YOUR LEADERSHIP, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT,
21 ENCOURAGED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
22 COMMISSION RECENTLY FOLLOWED UP WITH AN ADDITIONAL \$3.2
23 MILLION AWARD. THIS SHOWS HOW THE INVESTMENTS YOU MAKE CAN PAY
24 OFF WITH GREATER RETURNS DOWN THE LINE. THE PLAN LAID OUT IN
25 YOUR MOTION TODAY ACCELERATES THIS LEADERSHIP. IT LAYS THE

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1 FOUNDATION TO ENSURE THAT GOING FORWARD, LOS ANGELES COUNTY
2 GETS THE GREATEST RETURN ON THESE PUBLIC INVESTMENTS. THROUGH
3 THINGS LIKE YOUR ACTION PLAN FOR BIOSCIENCES AND THE INDUSTRY
4 SECTOR DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY, WE WILL DEVELOP THE KIND OF
5 INDUSTRIAL STRATEGY THAT OTHER NATIONS HAVE USED TO LIFT THEIR
6 PEOPLE OUT OF POVERTY AND INTO THE MIDDLE CLASS. THE UNITED
7 STATES, UNFORTUNATELY, IS SUCH A LARGE NATION THAT WE DEPEND
8 ON LOCALITIES TO DO THIS KIND OF WORK AND THAT'S WHAT YOU ARE
9 DOING THROUGH THE MOTION. WE NEED AN INDUSTRIAL STRATEGY. AND
10 THIS MOTION GETS US STARTED. THE BOARD HAS BEEN A GREAT
11 EXAMPLE FOR THE NATION. YOU'VE CONSISTENTLY RISEN ABOVE LOCAL
12 SELF INTEREST AND IDEOLOGY TO MAKE INVESTMENTS THAT BENEFIT
13 ALL. UNIVERSITIES LIKE CAL STATE L.A. WERE ESTABLISHED TO USE
14 KNOWLEDGE AS A SPRING BOARD FOR THE OVERALL PROSPERITY IN THIS
15 COMMUNITY. THIS IS PRECISELY WHAT THE BOARD IS DOING WITH THIS
16 MOTION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP ERICK
19 VERDUZCO VEGA. YES, SIR.

20

21 **ALEX GUERRERO:** BUENOS TARDES. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ALEX
22 GUERRERO. I'M THE SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT OF THE VALLEY ECONOMIC
23 DEVELOPMENT CENTER. WE ARE THE LARGEST ALTERNATIVE LENDER IN
24 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE PROVIDE ACCESS TO CAPITAL TO SMALL
25 BUSINESS AND MEASURE OUR SUCCESS BY THE CREATIONS OF JOBS.

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1 GRATEFUL TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TODAY TO SUPPORT THE COUNTY
2 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MOTION, IN PARTICULAR THE CREATION OF A
3 BUSINESS LOAN PROGRAM SPECIFICALLY TARGETING EMPLOYMENT
4 PROTECTION DISTRICTS THAT'S CRITICAL TO BUSINESSES. SO THAT
5 THIS MOTION AS A LOAN PROGRAM IS UNIQUE IT SHOULD BE
6 COMMENDED. THE LOAN FUND WILL ALLOW ACCESS TO CAPITAL AND IN
7 TURN ALLOW GROWTH AND EXPANSION OF GOODS AND SERVICES IN THE
8 SMALL BUSINESS SECTOR. LASTLY, I LOOK FORWARD TO RESPONDING TO
9 AN R.F.Q. OR AN R.F.P. THAT SEEKS QUALIFIED INTERMEDIARIES
10 SUCH AS THE E.D.C. AND OTHER C.D.F.I.S IN THE ROOM TODAY IN
11 ORDER TO DEPLOY THE LOAN FUND IN AN IMPACTFUL MANNER. THANK
12 YOU.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. SHERRY RUDNAK. YES, SIR.

15

16 **ALEX DAVIS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE
17 BOARD. MY NAME IS ALEX DAVIS. I'M THE LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS
18 MANAGER AT THE VALLEY INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE ASSOCIATION.
19 V.I.C.A. V.I.C.A. REPRESENTS BUSINESSES ACROSS LOS ANGELES
20 COUNTY INCLUDING THOSE THAT WILL BE HELPED BY THE ECONOMIC AND
21 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE PRESENTED HERE TODAY. THANK
22 YOU, SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR INTRODUCING
23 THIS MOTION. IN 2014, THIS BOARD EXPRESSED THEIR CONCERNS
24 REGARDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACROSS UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF
25 THE COUNTY. TODAY THIS MOTION WILL BRING SIGNIFICANT AID AND

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1 ASSISTANCE TO THOSE BUSINESSES STRUGGLING TO OFFER HIGH
2 QUALITY JOBS. SPECIFICALLY THE DIVERSE NATURE OF THIS PROGRAM
3 WILL HELP ENSURE THAT THE COUNTY'S ECONOMIC RECOVERY IS BOTH
4 SWIFT AND WIDESPREAD. THE FOUR ELEMENTS OF THIS PLAN,
5 SUPPORTING SMALL BUSINESSES AND MANUFACTURERS, INVESTING IN
6 EMERGING SECTORS, TARGETING CATALYTIC PROJECTS AND ATTRACTING
7 FOREIGN INVESTMENTS, WILL HELP SUPPORT THE COUNTY'S DIVERSE
8 ECONOMIC PORTFOLIO. FOR EXAMPLE, MANUFACTURING CONTINUES TO
9 BRING HIGH SKILLED EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACROSS LOS ANGELES
10 COUNTY. UNFORTUNATELY, RECENT POLICY DECISIONS HAVE LEFT THEM
11 WITHOUT MANY VIABLE OPTIONS TO EXPAND THEIR ECONOMIC VENTURES.
12 LIMITED ACCESS TO CAPITAL REMAINS A SIGNIFICANT ROADBLOCK FOR
13 MANUFACTURERS. YOUR LOAN PROGRAM WILL HELP THOSE
14 MANUFACTURERS. NOW MORE THAN EVER, THE COUNTY MUST CONSIDER
15 THE OFTEN ILL EFFECT THAT BAD POLICY CAN HAVE ON BUSINESSES.
16 WITHOUT A LONG-TERM COMMITMENT TO A BETTER BUSINESS CLIMATE,
17 THESE ACTIONS WILL DO LITTLE TO SPUR ECONOMIC GROWTH. WE
18 APPRECIATE THE PRUDENT LEADERSHIP DISPLAYED BY THE BOARD TODAY
19 AND LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUED DIALOGUE REGARDING CONSTRUCTIVE
20 MEANS TO HELP BUSINESS ACROSS LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YOLANDA DUARTE. YES, MA'AM,
23 WHICHEVER, GO ON.

24

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1 **RACHEL HORNING:** GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS RACHEL HORNING, I'M
2 POLICY MANAGER AT BIZFED, L.A. COUNTY BUSINESS FEDERATION. WE
3 ARE A GRASSROOTS ALLIANCE OF OVER 150 TOP BUSINESS GROUPS,
4 REPRESENTING 257,000 EMPLOYERS WITH 3 MILLION EMPLOYEES
5 THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY. WE WANT TO COMMEND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
6 THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. WE URGE
7 YOU ALL TO VOTE FOR THIS MOTION. WE BELIEVE THAT THE COUNTY
8 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRUST FUND AS DESCRIBED IN THIS MOTION
9 CAN BE A SMART AND EFFECTIVE WAY TO LEVERAGE A VARIETY OF
10 OTHER RESOURCES AND STRATEGIES TO CREATE AND GROW JOBS IN KEY
11 SECTORS IN THE COUNTY. WE ALSO THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE TO USE
12 MONEY FROM THE DISSOLUTION OF COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCIES
13 TO BEGIN THIS FUND. OUR MEMBERS LOOK FORWARD TO ENGAGING
14 FURTHER WITH THE COUNTY DURING THE DEVELOPMENT AND
15 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE VARIOUS PROGRAM DETAILS. ONE DETAIL THAT
16 WE HOPE YOU WILL ADDRESS EARLY IS IDENTIFYING SPECIFIC PARCELS
17 OF LAND THAT CAN BE USED TO SUPPORT TARGETED BUSINESS CLUSTERS
18 THROUGH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS. THIS WILL HELP
19 POTENTIAL PRIVATE SECTOR PARTNERS ENGAGE EARLY TO ENSURE
20 EFFECTIVE DEVELOPMENT OF THESE PROPERTIES IN WAYS TO MAXIMIZE
21 THE IMPACT ON ECONOMIC GROWTH. AGAIN. MANY THANKS TO
22 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SOLIS FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP ON
23 THIS. AND BIZFED URGES YOU TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION.
24 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP

2 GABRIELLA GONZALEZ. YES, SIR.

3

4 **ERICK VERDUZCO VEGA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR ANTONOVICH,

5 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME'S

6 ERICK VERDUZCO VEGA. I'M THE PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF THE SOUTH

7 BAY LATINO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. OUR CHAMBER REPRESENTS ROUGHLY

8 300 BUSINESSES THROUGHOUT THE SOUTH BAY REGION OF LOS ANGELES

9 COUNTY. OUR MEMBERS ARE HISPANIC-OWNED BUSINESSES, MOSTLY

10 SMALL ONES, THAT ARE INTERESTED IN ECONOMIC GROWTH AND JOB

11 CREATION THAT DON'T JUST HELP OUR BOTTOM LINE BUT THAT'S ALSO

12 BENEFICIAL TO OUR COMMUNITIES. ON BEHALF OF OUR MEMBERSHIP AND

13 AS A SMALL BUSINESS OWNER IN LONG BEACH, I'M HERE TO

14 WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THE ITEM BEFORE YOU. I HAVE BEEN

15 DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN THE ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION OF THE LENNOX

16 COMMERCIAL CORRIDORS AND OTHER AREAS OF L.A. COUNTY FOR THE

17 LAST 15 YEARS THROUGH MY WORK WITH THE CHAMBER. THE COMMUNITY

18 BUSINESS REVITALIZATION PROGRAM HAS A LONG TRACK RECORD OF

19 SUCCESS IN HELPING SMALL BUSINESSES AND IMPROVING AGING

20 COMMERCIAL CORRIDORS. WORKING WITH A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

21 COMMISSION UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF MR. FERNANDO OLIVEROS, WE

22 TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THE C.B.R. PROGRAM TO BRING MORE THAN 15

23 FACADE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS TO BUSINESSES IN THE LENNOX AREA

24 MANY YEARS AGO. THOSE BUSINESSES THAT TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THE

25 C.B.R. PROGRAM AND THE COMMUNITY THAT SURROUNDS THEM ARE STILL

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1 REAPING THE REWARDS OF THE COUNTY'S INVESTMENT IN WHAT WAS
2 ONCE A TRULY BLIGHTED AREA. THE C.B.R. PROGRAM MADE A
3 TREMENDOUS DIFFERENCE TO OUR COMMUNITY. WE RECOGNIZE THE
4 VITALITY THAT THESE PROGRAMS PROVIDE AND THE ECONOMIC
5 REVITALIZATION OF THESE BUSINESS SECTORS. THE CREATION OF A
6 BUSINESS LOAN PROGRAMM SPECIFICALLY TARGETED TOWARDS COUNTY
7 DESIGNATED EMPLOYMENT PROTECTION DISTRICTS WILL HELP THE BOARD
8 MEET ITS OBJECTIVES, ENCOURAGING BUSINESS INVESTMENT AND
9 EMPLOYMENT GROWTH IN THOSE AREAS. THIS ITEM REPRESENTS THE
10 BOARD'S CONTINUED COMMITMENT TO BRING ABOUT POSITIVE CHANGE
11 AND PROSPERITY TO OUR COMMUNITIES. FOR THAT, I THANK YOU. AND
12 THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF OUR MEMBERSHIP.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. DAVID YSAIS. YES,
15 MA'AM?

16

17 **SHERRY RUDNAK:** HI, MY NAME IS SHERRY RUDNAK AND I WANT TO JUST
18 THANK YOU SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SOLIS FOR THIS
19 ORDINANCE. I THINK IT'S FANTASTIC AND I'M HERE TO OFFER MY
20 SUPPORT. I AM AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST LAND USE
21 ECONOMIST AND REAL ESTATE ADVISOR WITH BAY AREA ECONOMICS OR
22 B.A.E., URBAN ECONOMICS. WE ARE A CONSULTING FIRM FOCUSED ON
23 PUBLIC BENEFIT AND ENHANCING PUBLIC BENEFIT THROUGH THE
24 ECONOMICS OF THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT. I THINK THAT NOT ONLY IS
25 IT APPROPRIATE TO USE THESE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT FUNDS FOR

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1 THIS PURPOSE, IT IS A FANTASTIC PROGRAM AND A REALLY GOOD
2 FIRST STEP. PUBLIC INVESTMENT GETS LEVERAGED THROUGH PUBLIC-
3 PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS, AND WHAT YOU HAVE IS DEVELOPMENT THAT
4 SHARES A PROOF OF CONCEPT AND AFTER DEVELOPERS SEE THESE
5 INITIAL INVESTMENTS THEY COME FOLLOWING. SO IT'S A GREAT WAY
6 TO LEVERAGE PUBLIC MONEY TO CREATE PRIVATE INVESTMENT.
7 COORDINATING WITH THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD EFFORTS TO
8 BRING LIVING WAGES IS GOING TO HELP ADDRESS THE HOUSING CRISIS
9 WHICH YOU'VE HEARD FROM OTHER PEOPLE HERE, BEING ABLE TO
10 ADDRESS NOT ONLY JOBS BUT THE QUALITY OF JOBS IN TERMS OF
11 INCOME. THAT IS ONE PRONG IN ADDRESSING OUR HOUSING CRISIS, IN
12 ADDITION TO THE SUPPLY. WHICH I THINK THE QUESTION OF WHETHER
13 OR NOT WE CAN EVER BUILD OUR WAY OUT OF THE HOUSING CRISIS,
14 IT'S CERTAINLY ONE THING YOU HAVE TO DO TO ATTACK IT IS
15 BUILDING. BUT THE OTHER THING YOU REALLY NEED TO LOOK AT ARE
16 WAGES. SO GOING AFTER THESE HIGH QUALITY, FAMILY-SUPPORTING
17 JOBS IS CRITICAL. THIS IS A CHANCE FOR THE COUNTY TO INVEST IN
18 IMPACTFUL PROGRAMS TO BENEFIT COMMUNITIES THAT ARE TYPICALLY
19 UNDERSERVED AND I'D JUST LIKE TO THANK YOU AND OFFER MY
20 SUPPORT.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP WALTER
23 LARKINS. YES, MA'AM.

24

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1 **YOLANDA DUARTE:** GOOD MORNING, MAYOR AND SUPERVISORS. THANK
2 YOU. THANK YOU ESPECIALLY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND
3 THANK YOU MOST ESPECIALLY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. AS THE PAST CHAIR
4 OF THE MARAVILLA COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND A BUSINESS
5 OWNER, I HAVE SEEN FIRSTHAND WHAT THESE FUNDS CAN DO TO A
6 COMMUNITY. I'VE WORKED PERSONALLY WITH C.D.C. OVER THE LAST 5
7 YEARS, SO I, TOO, HAVE WORKED WITH NICOLE AND FERNANDO AND
8 JORGE. I'VE BEEN DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN THE ECONOMIC
9 REVITALIZATION OF UNINCORPORATED EAST LOS ANGELES. I'VE SEEN
10 AND I CAN RECOGNIZE WHAT IT MEANS TO BRING THAT VITALITY BACK,
11 WHAT IT MEANS TO THE BUSINESS OWNERS, WHAT IT MEANS TO THE
12 RESIDENTS TO GET QUALITY MERCHANDISE, TO GET QUALITY SERVICES,
13 TO AGAIN HAVE ELMER FAMILY SERVICES ON CESAR CHAVEZ. TO HAVE
14 ACCESS TO A PANADERIA ON CESAR CHAVEZ. TO BE ON ATLANTIC AND
15 SEE THE NEW GROWTH THAT'S COMING AND IT'S EXCITING. TO SEE
16 CITY TERRACE BE REDEVELOPED AGAIN. SO YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT
17 SMALL BUSINESSES, BUT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT FAMILIES, AND
18 FAMILIES THAT FEEL SAFE. AND ALL THAT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
19 ENERGY BRINGS OTHER THINGS. IT BRINGS STREET IMPROVEMENTS. IT
20 BRINGS STREET FURNITURE. IT BRINGS PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING. AND IT
21 ACTUALLY BRINGS A SENSE OF PLACE. IT MAKES WHAT I CALL EAST
22 L.A. HOME AND FUN AND A PLACE TO WORK AND A PLACE TO LAUGH AND
23 A PLACE TO GROW AND TO GROW AND NURTURE YOUR FAMILY SAFELY. I
24 CAN'T TELL YOU HOW MUCH THIS MEANS TO KEEP THE CHARACTER OF
25 EAST L.A. ALIVE AGAIN, TO KEEP THE CHARACTER AGAIN IN SLAUSON.

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1 IT MEANS A LOT TO US. IT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE MUCH, BUT IN
2 ESSENCE IT BECOMES THE FRAMEWORK AND THE FOUNDATION OF WHAT
3 COMMUNITIES ARE, PEOPLE, FAMILIES, CHILDREN. THANK YOU VERY
4 MUCH.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP AARON JIMENEZ.

7

8 **GABRIELLA GONZALEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS GABRIELLA
9 GONZALEZ AND I'M A PROGRAM MANAGER AT ALMA FAMILY SERVICES.
10 I'M A RESIDENT OF EAST LOS ANGELES. I WAS BORN AND RAISED IN
11 THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF EAST LOS ANGELES. AND I AM THE
12 RESULT OF ALL OF THE SUPPORT OF THE COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS
13 REVITALIZATION IN EAST LOS ANGELES. 10 YEARS AGO I WAS AN
14 UNEMPLOYED TEACHER. I HAD TWO CHILDREN. I WAS LIVING WITH MY
15 MOTHER. AND THANKFULLY ENOUGH, AROUND THE TIME THAT MR. RON
16 MUKAI, COMMUNITY MEMBERS, SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE AND THE SUPPORT
17 FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WAS HAPPENING IN THE LATE 1990S OR
18 EARLY 2000S WAS HAPPENING. BECAUSE OF THAT KIND OF SUPPORT,
19 ALMA FAMILY SERVICES, CENTRO ESTRELLA WAS CREATED THROUGH THAT
20 FUNDING. I WAS ABLE TO FIND A JOB IN THE COMMUNITY THAT I WAS
21 LIVING IN, THAT I WAS WORKING IN, THANKFULLY ENOUGH NOW I'VE
22 BEEN WORKING THERE FOR 12 YEARS. THIS IS REAL: THIS IS REAL. I
23 AM THE REALITY. I LIVE THERE, NOW I WORK THERE. AND I'M ABLE
24 TO SERVE THE PEOPLE OF MY COMMUNITY THAT I LOVE SO MUCH. I
25 WORK IN AN ORGANIZATION THAT IS TOP NOTCH QUALITY THAT I

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1 REALLY LOVE DOING WORK WITH. OVER 200 PEOPLE WORK IN THE
2 ORGANIZATION I WORK AT, AND WELL OVER 50 PERCENT OF THEM WERE
3 RAISED IN THE COMMUNITY WHERE WE WORK AT AND SERVE. SO I'M THE
4 RESULT OF THAT KIND OF SUPPORT. I'M ABLE TO HAVE A VERY WELL
5 PAID JOB. I WAS ABLE TO BUY MY OWN HOME AND MOVE OUT OF MY
6 MOTHER'S HOME THANKFULLY ENOUGH. I'M THE REALITY. THIS IS ME.
7 AFTER ALL OF THESE EXPERTS, ALL OF THESE WONDERFUL TESTIMONIES
8 OF SUPPORT. THIS IS THE RESULT. A FAMILY THAT IS HAPPY AND
9 ABLE TO LIVE IN THE COMMUNITY THEY LOVE AND I'M ABLE TO WORK.
10 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ALSO DR. GENEVIEVE
13 CLAVREUL. YES, SIR.

14

15 **DAVID YSAIS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS DAVID
16 YSAIS. I'M THE MANAGER OF COMMUNICATIONS AT LOS ANGELES TRADE
17 TECHNICAL COLLEGE. AND ON BEHALF OF OUR WONDERFUL PRESIDENT
18 LARRY FRANK, WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT FOR THIS
19 MOTION, AS WELL. COMMUNITY COLLEGES LIKE TRADE TECH ARE
20 LOOKING FORWARD TO PARTNERSHIPS AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT WITH
21 EMERGING MANUFACTURING BUSINESSES AND TECHNOLOGY. TRADE TECH
22 RECENTLY RECEIVED STATE APPROVAL FOR A NEW CURRICULUM IN
23 BIOTECH AND BIOMANUFACTURING. IN FACT, WE ARE THE ONLY
24 COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN THE COUNTY WITH APPROVED CURRICULUM IN
25 THIS SECTOR AS WELL AS OTHER APPROVED CURRICULUM IN PROCESS

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1 AND CHEMICAL TECHNOLOGIES. AND OUR MANUFACTURING, ADVANCED
2 MANUFACTURING PROGRAM IS HOPING TO SUPPORT THESE GREAT
3 INITIATIVES. OUR PARTNERSHIPS WITH SPACE X AND THEIR
4 SUPPLIERS, GRIFOLS, AND MANY OTHER REGIONAL MANUFACTURERS ARE
5 SOMETHING WE ARE HOPING TO HELP FOSTER AND SUPPORT. TRADE TECH
6 HAS BEEN INNOVATIVE IN EVOLVING ITS CURRICULUM AND TRAINING IN
7 ADVANCE MANUFACTURING AND BUSINESS ENTREPRENEURSHIP TO RESPOND
8 TO HIGH DEMAND INDUSTRIES. MANY OF THESE FALL WITHIN THESE
9 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES. SO NOT ONLY DO WE SUPPORT
10 THIS MOTION, BUT WE WANT TO BE ONE OF THE DRIVERS OF ITS
11 SUCCESS. WE THANK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SOLIS FOR THEIR
12 LEADERSHIP AND THEIR FRIENDSHIP AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO
13 CONTRIBUTING TO THE NEW ROBUST WORKFORCE IN THE FUTURE OF L.A.
14 COUNTY. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. ERIC PREVEN? YES, SIR.

17

18 **SWALTER LARKINS:** MY NAME IS WALTER LARKINS, I'M AN
19 ENTREPRENEUR. AND I THINK I'M THE ONLY ENTREPRENEUR THAT I'VE
20 SEEN COME UP HERE SO FAR, SO I FIGUR YOU'RE PROBABLY TALKING
21 ABOUT ME AND I THINK THIS INITIATIVE MOTION IS ALSO ABOUT
22 OTHER ENTREPRENEURS. I WAS THINKING ABOUT WHAT TO SAY THAT
23 HASN'T BEEN SAID ALREADY. AND I'M REALLY GOING TO FOCUS ON THE
24 FACT THAT MOST ENTREPRENEURS AND BUSINESS PEOPLE HAVE NO IDEA
25 WHAT IS AVAILABLE WITH RESPECT TO THE DIFFERENT PROGRAMS THAT

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1 ARE OUT THERE. SECOND THING IS THAT WHEN I WAS ASKED TO SPEAK
2 ABOUT THIS SUBJECT I WAS FRANKLY SURPRISED. I'VE BEEN A
3 COMMISSIONER ON THE L.A. COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD,
4 DEALING WITH WORKFORCE. I'M CURRENTLY ON COMMISSIONER ON
5 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WITHIN LONG BEACH. AND FOR A BUSINESS
6 PERSON, IT IS SURPRISING TO SEE THAT YOU DON'T HAVE SALES AND
7 MARKETING IN GOVERNMENT. THE THING THAT'S OFTENTIMES CUT ARE
8 THE THINGS THAT IN A BUSINESS YOU WOULD NEVER CUT. I WOULD
9 NEVER CUT MY SALES AND MARKETING FUNCTION BECAUSE THAT'S
10 MOVING FORWARD. THAT IS HOW I KEEP MY BUSINESS OPERATING. I
11 WILL CUT BACK EVERY OTHER PART OF MY ORGANIZATION, BUT WHEN IT
12 COMES TO MOVING FORWARD, I AM GOING TO INVEST IN THAT BECAUSE
13 THAT'S MY HOPE FOR THE FUTURE. AND THAT'S WHAT I SEE ECONOMIC
14 DEVELOPMENT BEING. I LOOKED AT YOUR SIGN UP HERE. THIS COUNTRY
15 IS FOUNDED ON FREE ENTERPRISE. CHERISH AND HELP PRESERVE IT.
16 THAT'S REALLY WHAT THIS INITIATIVE IS. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
17 AND THE FUTURE OF OUR COUNTRY AND OUR YOUNG PEOPLE DEPEND UPON
18 IT. I THINK THIS IS A FIRST STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. I
19 HOPE SOME OF THE PROGRAMS THAT YOU HAVE, IF YOU HAVE A STRONG
20 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT WILL REACH OUT TO BUSINESSES
21 AND TELL THEM WHAT THE BEST KEPT SECRETS ARE. THANK YOU FOR
22 THE OPPORTUNITY FOR ME TO SPEAK.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR, I JUST WANT TO GIVE A SHOUTOUT TO
25 WALTER. HE'S BEEN A GREAT CORPORATE CITIZEN. HE'S MY

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1 COMMISSIONER. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY WHEN WE DID THE 10,000 JOBS
2 WHEN MY COLLEAGUE WAS SECRETARY OF LABOR, HE PUT THAT TO GOOD
3 WORK AND HIRED 22 PEOPLE. SO, WALTER, GOOD JOB. [APPLAUSE.]

4

5 **WALTER LARKINSR:** THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** TERRY SIGMUND. YES, SIR.

8

9 **AARON JIMENEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME AARON JIMENEZ. I'M WITH
10 THE CENTRAL CITIES ASSOCIATION. C.C.A. SUPPORTS THE MOTION BY
11 SUPERVISORS RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SOLIS AND WE ENCOURAGE THE BOARD
12 TO EXPAND ON THESE PROGRAMS. THE INVESTMENTS THAT THE MOTION
13 CALLS FOR IS A GOOD START, BUT OTHER JURISDICTIONS SUCH AS NEW
14 YORK ARE INVESTING TENS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS DIRECTLY INTO
15 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. THE MANUFACTURING REVOLVING LOAN FUND,
16 EVEN AT 3 MILLION, CAN EASILY BE QUICKLY OVERSUBSCRIBED.
17 SIMILARLY WE WHOLLY SUPPORT THE INVESTMENT IN CREATING
18 INDUSTRY CLUSTERS TO BEGIN WITH THE BIOTECH INDUSTRY. WE
19 BELIEVE THAT IT MUST GROW SUBSTANTIALLY LARGER THAN \$2 MILLION
20 ANNUALLY IN FIVE YEARS. WE AGREE THAT THE COUNTY OWNED LAND
21 WHERE APPROPRIATE SHOULD BE UTILIZED TO ENCOURAGE LOCATING AND
22 COLLOCATING OF INDUSTRY CLUSTER RELATED BUSINESSES AND FUNDS
23 GENERATED FROM THE SALE OF PROPERTIES IN THOSE CLUSTERS AREAS
24 SHOULD BE DEVOTED TO INCREASING THE TRUST FUND. WE SUPPORT
25 THIS MOTION AND ASK THAT THE BOARD TO APPROVE IT. AND WE ASK

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1 THAT THE BOARD TREAT THIS MOTION AS THE BEGINNING OF A SERIES
2 OF INVESTMENTS IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND NOT AS A ONE-TIME
3 MATTER. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. AND THEN THE FINAL WILL BE
6 NINA PSOMAS.

7

8 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
9 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. WELL I'M GLAD TO SEE THAT MOTION
10 BECAUSE YOU KNOW I'VE BEEN TRYING FOR QUITE SOMETIME TO BRING
11 SOME TOP RESEARCHERS HERE IN LOS ANGELES. AND IT HAS BEEN
12 ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO FIND THE RIGHT ATMOSPHERE OR SUPPORT. SO
13 I THINK IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU DEVELOP SOMETHING THAT ABOUT A
14 CORRIDOR WHERE, WHEN YOU HAVE PEOPLE THAT WANT TO RELOCATE
15 HERE, IT CAN BE A FIRST STEP WHERE THEY CAN MEET WITH THE
16 RIGHT PEOPLE. WHEN IT COMES TO SCIENCE, IT'S VERY IMPORTANT
17 THAT YOU HAVE SOMEBODY IN CHARGE WHO DOESN'T TRY TO CONTROL
18 WHO IS COMING. AND THAT'S ONE THING I HAVE SEEN. I HAVE HAD IN
19 THE LAST FEW MONTHS SOME TOP LEADERS IN RESEARCH WHO WANT TO
20 RELOCATE TO LOS ANGELES, AND I HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO REACH THE
21 RIGHT INDIVIDUAL AND THE PEOPLE I HAVE REACHED HAVE NOT THE
22 CALIBER IN A SCIENTIFIC WORLD TO BE ABLE TO DIALOGUE WITH THE
23 SCIENTISTS. SO I THINK THAT'S AN IMPORTANT THING YOU NEED TO
24 LOOK AT. WHEN IT COMES TO SCIENCE, IT IS MORE THAN THE MONEY.

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1 IT'S THE QUALITY OF THE PEOPLE YOU HAVE WHO DIRECT THE
2 PROJECT. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. PREVEN.

5

6 **ERIC PREVEN:** ERIC PREVEN, A COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. I
7 WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS FOR BRINGING FORWARD THIS
8 IDEA. THIS IS A BIOTECH STIMULATION PROGRAM. AND OBVIOUSLY
9 WE'RE FINDING WAYS TO USE THE REDEVELOPMENT MONEY
10 CONSTRUCTIVELY. WE'VE HEARD A LOT ABOUT THEM. THEY SOUND
11 GOOD. I NOTICE THAT THE BOARD CIRCLED BACK AND PUT THIS ON THE
12 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA TO ENSURE THAT AN UNDERLINED COMPETITIVE
13 ACTIVITY WOULD TAKE PLACE. ONE OF THE PROBLEMS WHEN A
14 GOVERNMENTAL BODY LIKE YOURSELVES, SOME OF WHOM ARE RUNNING
15 FOR OFFICE, DOES THIS KIND OF A THING IS THERE'S A GREAT
16 INCENTIVE TO STIMULATE INTEREST IN THEIR PROGRAMS. EVERYBODY--
17 IN FACT TODAY WE SAW SEVERAL FOLKS WHO WERE RECENTLY WORKING
18 HERE AT THE COUNTY, AND THAT'S NOT UNCOMMON. AND THEY'RE
19 TRYING TO GET AT THIS POND OF MONEY. WE'RE GOING TO HELP
20 BECAUSE OF COURSE EVERYBODY WANTS TO HEAP, INCLUDING ME. YOU
21 KNOW, I WORRY, THOUGH. AND SOMEBODY SAID THAT THE SUPERVISORS
22 ARE RISEN ABOVE HERE THEIR OWN PERSONAL SELF-INTEREST, WHICH
23 IS GREAT, BECAUSE THAT IS ALWAYS ENCOURAGED. BUT THIS MEETING,
24 WHICH HAS GONE ON FOR AN HOUR AND A HALF, WHICH IS GREAT, WE
25 HEARD SOME GREAT TESTIMONY, COMES REALLY IN THE PUBLIC

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1 MEETING. BUT THIS MORNING AT 9 A.M. THERE WAS A DIFFERENT
2 MEETING WHERE WE WERE ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS KIND OF UNDER
3 THE BASEMENT. YOU KNOW, I KNOW THAT THIS IS GOING TO ADDRESS
4 SOME OF THOSE CONCERNS BECAUSE MR. HONG SAID IT BEST BY SAYING
5 WE'RE AIMING HIGH. WE DON'T WANT TO JUST HOUSE HOMELESS
6 PEOPLE. WE WANT TO STIMULATE JOBS THAT BRING PEOPLE TO A SELF-
7 SUFFICIENTLY PLACE AND HIGH TECH JOBS LIKE THIS IF THEY ARE
8 HIGH TECH. I THINK WE ALSO HAVE TO BE CAREFUL ABOUT WHAT
9 CONSTITUTES A BIOSCIENCE COMPANY. IN MY DISTRICT, C.D.3 WHERE
10 THE GREAT SUPERVISOR KUEHL REINS, WE HAVE RECENTLY PUT UP A
11 BUSINESS AND MANUFACTURING PLACE WHICH COULD BE CATEGORIZED AS
12 BIOSCIENCE, IT'S CALLED H2O. THEY MAKE VAPOR INGESTERS OR
13 WHATEVER THOSE ARE CALLED. ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES. SO WHILE WE
14 ARE THRILLED, WE ARE NOT THAT THRILLED. AND SO I KNOW THAT
15 BIOSCIENCE IS A BIG TERM. NOBODY ACTUALLY KNOWS WHAT IT MEANS
16 INCLUDING 45 PERCENT OF THE SPEAKERS TODAY BECAUSE IT IS
17 CONFUSING. BUT IT IS STILL IMPORTANT TO STIMULATE. SO THANK
18 YOU.

19

20 **TERRY SIGMUND:** THE ISSUE I TAKE WHEN WE TALK ABOUT AFFORDABLE
21 HOUSING IS THAT THE HOUSING IS IN PLACES WHERE NOBODY IS SAFE
22 TO LIVE AT. USUALLY IT ENDS UP FOR PEOPLE THAT ARE SORT OF A
23 MINORITY, SOME ARE MELANIN RICH, AND THEN THEY END UP IN THESE
24 PLACES WHERE NOW THERE'S HOUSING BUT IT'S THE DIVISION BETWEEN
25 HAVES AND HAVE NOTS. I HAPPEN TO HAVE NOTICED IN BRENTWOOD

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1 WHERE I MANAGE PROPERTY THAT THE PEOPLE TO COME THERE ARE
2 PEOPLE WHO HAVE PARENTS WHO CAN AFFORD TO SEND THEM, WHICH
3 RAISES THE RENTS, GREAT FOR THE HOMEOWNER; BUT, HOWEVER, IT
4 REALLY SQUEEZES OUT THE PEOPLE THAT ARE HONEST, HARD WORKING,
5 ANGELINO PEOPLE WHO ALSO WOULD LIKE TO LIVE WHERE THEY CAN
6 WALK AT NIGHT THEIR DOG WITHOUT BEING SCARED OF WHAT'S AROUND
7 THE CORNER. AND I'M NOT JUDGING THE PEOPLE THAT SENT THEIR
8 KIDS THAT HAVE MONEY. THAT'S HOW I GOT HERE MYSELF. I'M NOT
9 TRYING TO BE A HYPOCRITE. BUT I STILL DON'T THINK THAT IT'S SO
10 IMPOSSIBLE TO COME TOGETHER. WE CAN'T HAVE THE SEPARATION ON
11 EVERY LEVEL. IT'S THE WORST THING. THIS IS A MELTING POT AND
12 SOMEHOW EVERYBODY IS SEPARATE. I CAN'T STAND ANOTHER RICH
13 PERSON PUTTING SOME MONEY INTO SOME KIND OF CHECK TO MAKE
14 THEMSELVES FEEL GOOD BUT THEY NEVER WOULD EVER WANT THESE
15 PEOPLE THAT THEY SUPPORT TO LIVE IN THEIR OWN ENVIRONMENT. I
16 THINK A GREAT IDEA WOULD BE-- AND I WANT TO SHOW YOU MY
17 PROPERTY TAX THING IT'S \$8,000 SO HOW CAN ANYBODY WITH THAT
18 KIND OF PROPERTY TAX DO AFFORDABLE HOUSING? WHAT I WOULD LIKE
19 TO SUGGEST IS, IN PLACES SUCH AS BRENTWOOD. I SEE ALL THESE
20 FLAT HOUSES AND WHAT THAT MEANS, YOU COULD REALLY BUILD
21 FURTHER. IF YOU WERE TO SUPPLEMENT, IF YOU MAKE AN AGREEMENT
22 WITH THE HOMEOWNER, HEY YOU BUILD BUT CERTAIN UNITS ARE
23 AFFORDABLE HOUSING, THEN WE HAVE PEOPLE-- BEING POOR IS NOT A
24 CRIME. WE NEED TO NOT FORGET THAT. THEN YOU COULD HAVE POOR
25 PEOPLE, GIVE THEM A CHANCE TO GET UP. THEY NEED TO LIVE WITH

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1 PEOPLE WHO SO-CALLED MADE IT. WE HAVE TO BE TOGETHER LIVING IN
2 THE SAME AREA AND NOT HAVE AREAS WHERE NOBODY EVER MEETS
3 BECAUSE WE WOULDN'T WANT TO GO THERE. AND THAT COULD BE
4 ACHIEVED WITH THAT SUGGESTION.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. OKAY WE'RE GOING ANTELOPE
7 VALLEY FOR NICOLE, ROUND THREE. YOU STILL HAVE YOUR U.C.L.A.
8 SHIRT ON.

9

10 **NICOLE PARSON:** GO BRUINS. YES. OKAY. CAN I HAVE, I NEED MY
11 EXTRA MINUTE.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NO. IT WILL START RIGHT NOW. WE'LL
14 START THE TIME OVER RIGHT NOW.

15

16 **NICOLE PARSON:** OKAY. YES. A COUPLE WEEKS AGO WE DID THE COST
17 OF LIVING. NO. WE DID THE INCOME, THE MINIMUM WAGE. AND THEN
18 YOU GUYS PASSED IT, I WASN'T HERE, BUT I LIKE READ IT OR
19 SOMETHING. THERE WAS LIKE 1.50 LOWER THAN IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN
20 BECAUSE IT WAS AVERAGE TO THE RATE OF LIKE PEOPLE IN
21 RIVERSIDE. SO THEIR POVERTY LEVEL IS WAY LIKE UPPER THAN OURS.
22 SO MAYBE IF WE WOULD HAVE GOTTEN LIKE \$1.50 INCREASE HERE THEN
23 WE WOULD HAVE MATCHED THE RIVERSIDE POOR PEOPLE OR, YEAH.
24 OKAY. AND THEN SO THIS IS COMPLICATED. BECAUSE MR. THOMAS AND
25 MS. SOLIS, YES, I LIKE WHAT YOU GUYS-- I CAN DEAL WITH IT,

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1 BECAUSE YOU TOOK THE GOOD THINGS THAT WENT BAD AND YOU PUT IT
2 BACK TO GOOD BECAUSE YOU GUYS CARE ABOUT YOUR COMMUNITY AND
3 THAT'S IT. LOVE. AND BUSINESSES ARE NOT-- BUSINESSES HAVE A
4 BUSINESS INTEREST. AND THE CORPORATIONS AND THE CHAMBER OF
5 COMMERCE IS-- I KNOW WHERE THIS CAME FROM. IT CAME FROM THE
6 ASSEMBLY OFFICE. THIS IS NOT COMING FROM THE SENATOR'S OFFICE
7 THEN IT'S NOT A GOOD DEAL. BECAUSE IT'S PUTTING OFF LIKE THE
8 E.D.D. IS SO BAD IF YOU LOOK AT IT. BUT E.D.D., WE SHOULD HAVE
9 THE HOUSING ON E.D.D. AND IF WE PUT THE HOUSING ON E.D.D. SO
10 THAT WE CAN REPORT THE COST OF LIVING TO POOR TO
11 SUSTAINABILITY-- WHERE ARE WE AT, MR. ANTONOVICH?

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** TIME'S UP. THAT'S WHERE WE'RE AT.
14 THANK YOU. GOOD SEEING YOU AGAIN. SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
15 THOMAS.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR. AND TO
18 THOSE WHO OFFERED TESTIMONY, WE THANK YOU, AS WELL. IT IS MY
19 BELIEF AND I THINK SHARED BY THE ENTIRETY OF THIS BOARD THAT
20 MAINTAINING HEALTHY AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES IS ESSENTIAL
21 FOR L.A. COUNTY BUSINESS. WE THINK ABOUT THE GREAT RECESSION,
22 I THINK IT TAUGHT US A VERY HARD LESSON. THAT IS, THIS REGION
23 IS NOT EXEMPT FROM OR IMMUNE TO SERIOUS JOB LOSS. THE IMPACT
24 THAT IT HAS ON FAMILIES. IT'S NOT AN ACADEMIC DISCUSSION. IT'S
25 VERY, VERY REAL. AND IT MANIFESTS ITSELF IN QUITE A NUMBER OF

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1 WAYS. THEREFORE, I THINK IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THIS
2 BOARD AND STAFF TO BE BOTH VIGILANT AND PROACTIVE. AND DOING
3 SO MEANS THAT WE CAN SUPPORT AND IN SOME WAYS CATALYZE A
4 HEALTHY ECONOMY, ONE THAT PAYS GOOD WAGES, ONE THAT HAS GOOD
5 JOBS. ONE THAT CAUSES FAMILIES TO THRIVE. I THINK THAT THE
6 COUNTY CANNOT IGNORE ITS RESPONSIBILITY IN THIS REGARD,
7 THEREFORE WE ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FISCAL HEALTH OF
8 THIS REGION. AFTER ALL, 4 MILLION JOBS IN THE REGION AS A
9 WHOLE, LARGELY PRIVATE SECTOR BUT 100,000 OF WHICH ARE COUNTY
10 EMPLOYEES, HARDLY A SMALL PIECE OF THAT EQUATION. WE'VE SAID
11 THE REGION THAT IF IT WERE A NATION, IT WOULD BE NUMBER 19
12 WITH THE GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT OF SOME \$544 BILLION. IT SEEMS
13 TO ME THAT WE OUGHT TO LEVERAGE THAT INTELLIGENTLY AND
14 STRATEGICALLY. AND SO THE COUNTY IS CAPABLE AND IT IS WILLING.
15 WE'VE DONE THINGS IN THE PAST, PERMIT STREAMLINING. SMALL
16 BUSINESS AND VETERAN-OWNED BUSINESS SUPPORT WOULD BE A COUPLE
17 OF EXAMPLES. BUT ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MOTION
18 TODAY IS A PRODUCT OF BUILDING ON THOSE PREVIOUS EFFORTS. BUT
19 ALSO REFLECTING TWO YEARS OF WORK AND STUDY. A NUMBER OF
20 PEOPLE WHO TESTIFIED TODAY MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, HAVE BEEN
21 PART AND PARCEL OF THAT EFFORT. EXPERTS FROM ACADEMIC
22 INSTITUTIONS, PRACTITIONERS, SMALL BUSINESSES, BUSINESS
23 ASSOCIATIONS ALL HAVE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO WEIGH IN. AND SO
24 THE RESULT OF THAT EFFORT, AS HAS BEEN INDICATED, IS WHAT'S
25 BEFORE YOU. AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE FOCUSED. THEY'RE MORE

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1 NUANCED THAN WHAT WOULD HAVE BEEN THE CASE INITIALLY. BUT THEY
2 AFFORD US AN OPPORTUNITY TO CELEBRATE PROGRESS. IT CAN HAVE
3 IMPLICATIONS FOR RESHAPING SOME OF THE REGIONAL ECONOMIC
4 DISCUSSION, ECONOMIC CONTOURS, I WANT TO SAY, MAKING FOR MORE
5 DIVERSIFIED SET OF INDUSTRY OPPORTUNITIES. AND MUCH HAS BEEN
6 MADE COMMENT ABOUT IN TERMS OF VITAL SIGNS. WELL WHY? THE
7 STUDY THAT WAS COMMISSIONED BY THIS BOARD DONE BY VITEL MADE
8 IT CLEAR THAT BIOSCIENCE, BIOTECH, BIOMED, IS A BIT
9 UNDERDEVELOPED IN THIS REGION. AND, YET, WHEN THINKING ABOUT
10 IT, LOOKING AT THE VARIOUS INDUSTRY SECTORS, IT PROVED ITSELF
11 TO BE THE MOST PROMISING. AND THIS IS A RESULT OF, SINCE 2011,
12 THIS BOARD COMMISSIONING STUDIES IN ADDITION TO THE ECONOMIC
13 DEVELOPMENT STUDY THAT WAS AIMED AT LOOKING AT WHAT WE WOULD
14 DO WITH REDEVELOPMENT DOLLARS FOUND THAT THIS PARTICULAR
15 INDUSTRY SECTOR HAD GREAT, GREAT POTENTIAL. BUT THE RESOURCES
16 LOST TO OTHER BIOSCIENCE CENTERS LIKE SAN DIEGO, LIKE SAN
17 FRANCISCO AND BOSTON, FOR EXAMPLE. WE LOSE THE INVESTMENT WE
18 MAKE IN THAT INFRASTRUCTURE, AND WE NEED TO CORRECT THAT. SOME
19 OF US BELIEVE THAT THOSE OTHER JURISDICTIONS THAT I JUST
20 MENTIONED OUGHT TO BE IN REAR VIEW MIRROR OF L.A. COUNTY IN
21 TERMS OF WHAT WE CAN DO AND WHY WE SHOULD DO IT. IT'S
22 INTERESTING THAT EACH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT HAS THE ABILITY
23 TO LEVERAGE BIOSCIENCE. L.A.C.+U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER, HARBOR-
24 U.C.L.A., RANCHO, OLIVE VIEW, ALL FIVE OF OUR DISTRICTS HAVE
25 THESE ASSETS THAT CAN BE APPROPRIATELY LEVERAGED FOR THE GOOD

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1 OF OUR RESPECTIVE COMMUNITIES AND OUR COUNTY AS A WHOLE. SO
2 THE MOTION PUTS FORWARD OTHER SUGGESTIONS IN TERMS OF THE
3 MANUFACTURING SECTOR. IT TALKS ABOUT REVITALIZATION OF LOCAL
4 COMMUNITIES IN TERMS OF BUSINESS CORRIDORS THAT YOU'VE HEARD
5 COMMUNITIES FROM EAST LOS ANGELES TO SOUTHWEST LOS ANGELES
6 SPEAK TO THAT. BUT IT IS NOT LIMITED TO THOSE COMMUNITIES.
7 THIS MOTION SPEAKS TO TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE ENTIRETY OF
8 OUR COUNTY DISTRICTS AND REGIONS AND SUBREGIONS WITH AN EYE
9 TOWARD ADVANCEMENT FOR COMMUNITIES IN THE ABSTRACT BUT
10 FAMILIES AND BUSINESSES IN PARTICULAR. MR. MAYOR AND
11 COLLEAGUES, LET ME JUST SIMPLY CONCLUDE BY SAYING WE CAN MAKE
12 A SIGNIFICANT STEP FORWARD, A PROGRESSIVE STEP THAT IS IN THE
13 INTEREST OF THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF OUR FAMILIES IN THIS
14 COUNTY, THE INFRASTRUCTURE ON WHICH WE FACE ECONOMIC
15 DEVELOPMENT. WITH THAT I APPEAL TO YOU FOR UNANIMOUS VOTE.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

18

19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU. I'LL BE BRIEF. A LOT HAS BEEN
20 SAID ALREADY. AND I REALLY WANT TO THANK THE FOLKS THAT CAME
21 BEFORE US TO SPEAK AND TESTIFY AND ESPECIALLY THE ENTREPRENEUR
22 WHO IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS ONE OF THE FEW ENTREPRENEURS THAT
23 CAME BECAUSE HE'S VERY RIGHT THAT BUSINESS ATTRACTS BUSINESS.
24 GOOD INVESTMENTS, GOOD PAYING JOBS, STABILITY ATTRACT OTHERS
25 TO OUR AREA.S AND I THINK THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT. BUT WE'RE

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1 TALKING ABOUT GOOD SUSTAINABLE JOBS. AND WE'RE TALKING ABOUT
2 ALSO CREATING HOPEFULLY CAREER PATHS FOR INDIVIDUALS FROM
3 BLIGHTED AREAS OR COMMUNITIES THAT I REPRESENT, FOR EXAMPLE,
4 IN UNINCORPORATED EAST LOS ANGELES, THAT CHILDREN THERE OR
5 STUDENTS THERE MAY HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO GO INTO THE
6 BIOSCIENCES OR HEALTHCARE ARENA THAT HAS A VAST NUMBER OF
7 RESOURCES AVAILABLE THAT WILL CONTINUE TO GROW IN THE NEXT
8 COMING DECADE. WE OUGHT TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THAT. BUT IT'S
9 ABOUT INVESTING IN THE HUMAN CAPITAL, AS WELL. I'M VERY, VERY
10 CONCERNED AND MINDFUL THAT MANY ARE NOT SHARING IN THE WEALTH
11 IN TERMS OF REALLY FINDING THE GOOD DECENT JOBS. OUR
12 MANUFACTURING BASE HAS GONE DOWN. WE KNOW THAT. IT'S BEEN HARD
13 HIT. NOW WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO INVEST IN BIOSCIENCE,
14 PHARMACEUTICAL, I.T., ALL KINDS OF NEW INDUSTRIES THAT WE
15 OUGHT TO BE PROPPING UP. WE KNOW OUR ECONOMY IS STILL FIXING
16 ITSELF. WE SEE A HIGH NUMBER OF JOBS BEING CREATED IN THE
17 LEISURE AND TOURISM AREA AND ALSO IN HOSPITALITY, WHICH IS
18 GREAT. L.A.'S A PERFECT HAVEN FOR THAT. NOT JUST THE CITY BUT
19 THE ENTIRE L.A. COUNTY. WE ALL HAVE ASSETS. SO I'M LOOKING
20 FORWARD TO SEE HOW WE CAN BRING ABOUT MORE PARTNERS. BRING
21 ABOUT GOOD DEVELOPERS, GOOD INVESTMENTS, GOOD ECONOMIC SMARTS
22 THAT ARE ALSO GOING TO HAVE WHAT I WOULD SAY IS COMMUNITY
23 BENEFITS. SO WE ARE LOOKING FOR COMMUNITY BENEFITS. SO WE ARE
24 LOOKING FOR COMMUNITY BENEFITS. SO WE BALANCE OUT JUST HOW
25 THOSE PROJECTS ARE BEING DECIDED UPON THAT HAVE THE GREATEST

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1 ADVANTAGEOUS SUPPORT FOR THOSE AT THE BOTTOM, THOSE THAT ARE
2 AT THE MIDDLE AND HOPEFULLY THOSE AT THE TOP WILL ALSO SEE FIT
3 TO STAY HERE AND CONTINUE IN THEIR INVESTMENTS. I'M HAPPY TO
4 HAVE JOINED SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS ON THIS. I KNOW OUR
5 STAFFS WORKED VERY HARD IN THE LAST COUPLE OF WEEKS AND MONTHS
6 TO GET THIS GOING. AND I'M EXCITED ABOUT THE POTENTIAL FOR JOB
7 GROWTH, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PARTNERSHIPS, PUBLIC, PRIVATE
8 PARTNERSHIPS. THAT'S THE NAME OF THE GAME. THE COUNTY CAN'T DO
9 IT ALL. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SUPERVISOR KNABE.

12

13 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, I'M SUPPORTIVE OF
14 THIS ITEM. AND I THINK IT'S INTERESTING THE WAY WE HAVE BEEN
15 CONCENTRATING OVER THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS ON VARIOUS ASPECTS
16 OF PEOPLE'S LIVES THAT LIVE IN THIS COUNTY. AND RECOGNIZING
17 THE INTERCONNECTION OF SO MANY THINGS THAT WE HAVE TO TAKE
18 RESPONSIBILITY FOR IN ORDER THAT PEOPLE CAN MAKE IT. WE PUT IN
19 A LOT OF ATTENTION AND MONEY INTO DIVERSION, INTO MENTAL
20 HEALTH, INTO FISCAL HEALTH, INTO ASPECTS OF PUBLIC HEALTH, AND
21 IT'S EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. THEN WE RECOGNIZE THAT HOUSING,
22 ACTUALLY HAS SOME RELATIONSHIP TO HEALTH. SO WE LOOK AT THE
23 HOMELESS POPULATION. WE LOOK AT RAPID REHOUSING. WE LOOK AT
24 AFFORDABLE HOUSING. WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO GET INTO HOUSING? YOU
25 MUST HAVE A JOB, SOME KIND OF RESOURCES OR YOU WON'T BE ABLE

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1 TO STAY IN ALL THAT WONDERFUL HOUSING WE'RE TRYING TO BUILD OR
2 FIND VOUCHERS FOR, ET CETERA. AND I THINK THIS RECOGNITION OF
3 THE INTERCONNECTION, WHERE YOU LOOK AT THE INDIVIDUAL'S LIFE
4 AS THE SYSTEM, NOT JUST THE HOUSING SYSTEM, THE HEALTH SYSTEM,
5 THE ECONOMIC SYSTEM THAT I THINK WE'RE REALLY TRYING TO WORK
6 TOGETHER ALL THROUGH THE COUNTY TO TRY TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN. I
7 AM INTERESTED, THOUGH, IN THE 90-DAY REPORT BACK AND WANTED TO
8 ASK THE AUTHORS AND THE C.E.O. IF IT WAS ACCEPTABLE THAT THE
9 90-DAY REPORT BACK ACTUALLY BE MADE IN PERSON AT THE BOARD. I
10 DON'T KNOW IF IT'S BECAUSE I'M NEW, BUT SOMETIMES I GET THE
11 REPORT BACK REPORT AND I THINK "I'M NOT QUITE SURE WHAT I'M
12 LOOKING AT HERE" ESPECIALLY THE AMENDMENT ON THE GREEN SHEET
13 THAT ASKS FOR SOME ATTENTION TO BE PAID TO THE IMPACT, OR
14 POTENTIAL IMPACT, OF THE THREE STATE BILLS THAT WENT THROUGH
15 THAT ALLOW US TO CREATE NEW KINDS OF STRUCTURES THAT'S SORT OF
16 A WAY OF PICKING UP AFTER THE DEATH OF REDEVELOPMENT. BUT I'M
17 REALLY NOT SURE-- IS THIS A GOOD THING FOR THE COUNTY OR BAD
18 THING FOR THE COUNT? ACTUALLY, IT COULD END UP COSTING US
19 MONEY? I THINK WE REALLY NEED TO KNOW SPECIFICALLY IF WE USE
20 THESE STRUCTURES, WHAT'S IT GOING TO MEAN TO US? SO I SUPPORT
21 THIS. I LOOK FORWARD TO THE REPORT BACK AND I THANK THE
22 AUTHORS FOR BRINGING THIS.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

25

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION TOO, AS
2 WELL, PARTICULARLY AS RELATES TO S.B.718. THAT WAS VERY
3 IMPORTANT. WE USED S.B.18 TO HELP NORTHROP BECAUSE IT'S NOT
4 ONLY ABOUT CREATING, IT'S ALSO RETAINING GOOD JOBS HERE IN
5 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AS WELL AS WEBBER METALS, PARTICULARLY IN
6 MY DISTRICT. THE ONE THING I WOULD LIKE IS CAN WE ADD, AS THE
7 MAKERS OF THE MOTION, CAN WE ADD TREASURER TAX COLLECTOR TO BE
8 ADDED TO THE GROUP THAT'S LOOKING AT THE CATALYTIC LOAN
9 PROGRAM? I THINK THAT WOULD BE IMPORTANT.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AGREED.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** FRIENDLY, OKAY.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALSO FRIENDLY AMENDMENT WITH
16 MEMBERSHIP OF THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE THAT WAS TO BE FORMED,
17 REVIEW THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ECONOMIC PLAN INCLUDE
18 REPRESENTATIVES FROM OUR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS THROUGH
19 THE COUNTIES SUCH AS THE SAN GABRIEL ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIPS,
20 SANTA CLARITA VALLEY E.D.C. AND ANTELOPE VALLEY ECONOMIC
21 ALLIANCE.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE FRIENDLY AMENDMENT IS ACCEPTED, MR.
24 MAYOR.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO THERE'S A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK
2 RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS. WITHOUT
3 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

4

5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WE THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING DOWN.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AS AMENDED.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AS AMENDED. ITEM 34, 42, THE
12 SPAY/NEUTERING. COULD WE HAVE MARCIA MAYEDA? BACK IN FEBRUARY,
13 I HAD INTRODUCED A MOTION DIRECTING ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL TO
14 DRAFT A MOTION REQUIRING THE SPAYING AND NEUTERING OF CATS
15 MODELED AFTER THE EXISTING DOG MOTION BECAUSE LAST YEAR THE
16 DEPARTMENT HAD IMPOUNDED NEARLY 29,000 STRAY CATS, OF WHICH
17 OVER 21,000 WERE EUTHANIZED. SO THE RETURN TO OWNER RATES FOR
18 LOST CATS IS ONLY 1.6 PERCENT BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE
19 MICROCHIPS LIKE DOGS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE. SO WE'RE ATTEMPTING
20 TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS. I'LL LET MARCIA ELABORATE ON THIS
21 MOTION BEFORE WE CALL UP PUBLIC SPEAKERS.

22

23 **MARCIA MAYEDA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. MARCIA MAYEDA, DIRECTOR
24 OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL. THE ORDINANCE BEFORE YOU WAS
25 REQUESTED BY YOUR BOARD IN FEBRUARY OF THIS YEAR AND THE

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1 PURPOSE WAS TO ADD CATS TO THE REQUIRED SPAYING AND NEUTERING
2 AND MICROCHIPPING REQUIREMENTS THAT HAVE EXISTED FOR DOGS
3 SINCE 2006. WE SUPPORT THIS ORDINANCE BECAUSE SPAYING AND
4 NEUTERING IS IMPORTANT TO REDUCE THE NUMBERS OF ANIMALS COMING
5 INTO THE FACILITIES AND TO REDUCE THE EUTHANASIA OF UNWANTED
6 ANIMALS IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THE CHIPS ARE IMPORTANT BECAUSE IT
7 HELPS REUNITE LOST PETS WITH THEIR OWNERS. VERY OFTEN PEOPLE
8 DON'T COME LOOKING FOR THEIR CATS UNTIL AT LEAST THEY'VE BEEN
9 GONE FOR A WEEK OR LONGER. AND BY THAT TIME, THE ANIMAL COULD
10 HAVE ENTERED AND LEFT OUR SYSTEM ALREADY. AND OF COURSE OUR
11 INTENT IS TO REUNITE LOST PETS WITH THEIR OWNERS. WE HAVE
12 SEVERAL LOW-COST, LOW- INCOME PROVISIONS TO ASSIST PEOPLE WITH
13 COMPLYING WITH THESE REQUIREMENTS. THE MICROCHIPS CAN BE
14 PURCHASED AT OUR FACILITIES FOR \$15, WHICH IS JUST THE
15 DEPARTMENT'S COST FOR THE CHIP AND THE REGISTRATION. THE
16 DEPARTMENT DOESN'T MAKE ANY PROFIT ON THIS. AND THAT'S MUCH
17 LOWER THAN WHAT A PERSON WOULD BE EXPECTED TO PAY AT A PRIVATE
18 VETERINARIAN'S OFFICE. WE ALSO HAVE SEVERAL PROGRAMS AVAILABLE
19 TO ASSIST PEOPLE COMPLYING WITH THE SPAYING AND NEUTERING
20 REQUIREMENTS. WE HAVE VOUCHERS THAT ARE AVAILABLE FOR \$50 THAT
21 COULD BE REDEEMED AT ANY PARTICIPATING VETERINARIAN. AND THERE
22 IS NO INCOME REQUIREMENT ON THOSE FOR THE FIRST \$125,000 WHICH
23 WE HAVE RECEIVED THROUGH GRANTS AND MONEY GIVEN BY YOUR BOARD
24 DURING THIS BUDGET YEAR. BEYOND THAT, WE WILL CONTINUE TO
25 MAINTAIN THE LOW COST VOUCHERS FOR LOW INCOME RESIDENTS. THE

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1 VOUCHERS ARE \$50 AND THEY CAN REDEEM THOSE AT LOW COST
2 PROVIDERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. WE'VE ALREADY BEGUN SPAYING
3 AND NEUTERING CATS WITH OUR KICKOFF THIS WEEKEND OF THE
4 PERFECT FIX IN COLLABORATION WITH A NUMBER OF LOW-COST SPAY
5 NEUTER PROVIDERS, INCLUDING THE LUCY PET FOUNDATION, THE BARK
6 AVENUE FOUNDATION AND MISSION ANIMAL HOSPITAL. AND WE SPAYED
7 AND NEUTERED 300 CATS IN ONE DAY ON FRIDAY. AND WE'LL CONTINUE
8 TO MAKE THESE SERVICES AVAILABLE TO THE RESIDENTS. OUR
9 ENFORCEMENT PROTOCOL FOR THIS WILL BE A GRACE PERIOD THE ALLOW
10 PEOPLE TO COME INTO COMPLIANCE WITH THE ORDINANCE. WE DID THIS
11 WHEN THE MANDATORY SPAY NEUTER ORDINANCE FOR DOGS PASSED. AND
12 WE FEEL THREE MONTHS WILL BE AN ADEQUATE AMOUNT OF TIME FOR
13 PEOPLE TO BE ABLE TO GET THESE SERVICES AND THEN WHEN WE
14 ENFORCE IT GOING FORWARD, IT WILL BE COMPLAINT-BASED. AND WE
15 WILL GIVE WARNINGS TO PEOPLE TO GIVE THEM AN OPPORTUNITY TO
16 GET INTO COMPLIANCE BEFORE ANY CITATIONS ARE ISSUED. I'M HAPPY
17 TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE ABOUT THE ORDINANCE.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME CALL UP JOEY HERRICK. PHYLLIS
20 DAUGHERTY. LISA LANGE. ANDREA ADELMAN. WITH OUR TIME
21 CONSTRAINTS, IF WE COULD SHORTEN OUR TESTIMONY BECAUSE WE HAVE
22 SO MANY. WE STILL HAVE ANOTHER PUBLIC HEARING IN THE THIRD
23 DISTRICT. WHOEVER WANTS GO FIRST.

24

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1 **JOEY HERRICK:** HI, MY NAME IS JOEY HERRICK. AND I'M THE
2 PRESIDENT AND FOUNDER OF THE LUCY PET FOUNDATION. PRIOR TO THE
3 LUCY PET FOUNDATION, I WAS THE FOUNDER AND PRESIDENT OF
4 NATURAL BALANCE PET FOODS. I ACTUALLY SOLD NATURAL BALANCE PET
5 FOODS TWO YEARS AGO TO DEL MONTE. AND I DECIDED I NEEDED TO
6 STOP PET OVERPOPULATION, SO I TOOK A MILLION DOLLARS AND I
7 STARTED THE LUCY PET FOUNDATION. TODAY WE'VE DONE OVER 10,000
8 SPAY, NEUTER, VACCINATIONS IN THE AREA. WE ACTUALLY
9 PARTICIPATED LAST FRIDAY AND DID 94 CATS IN THE COUNTY'S
10 PERFECT FIX PROGRAM. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT SPAY AND NEUTER FOR
11 CATS. IT HAS TO BE DONE. THERE'S TOO MANY CATS GOING INTO THE
12 SHELTER AND THERE'S NO CHANCE OF A HOME. WHAT'S ALSO EXTREMELY
13 IMPORTANT IS THE ENFORCEMENT OF IT. IT HAS TO BE ENFORCEMENT
14 WITH A SOLUTION. WE WORKED WITH THE BALDWIN PARK ANIMAL
15 OFFICERS, AND WE GAVE THEM FLYERS. AND WHEN THEY GAVE A TICKET
16 OR A WARNING, IT HAD A FLYER WITH THE HEALTH BENEFITS OF
17 EVERYTHING AND OUR NUMBER. WE DID 500 SURGERIES IN JUNE
18 BECAUSE OF DOING IT THAT WAY.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR
21 LEADERSHIP AND BEING A GOOD EXAMPLE ROLE MODEL FOR OTHERS, AS
22 WELL. THANK YOU FOR THAT.

23

24 **JOEY HERRICK:** THANK YOU.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, MA'AM.

2

3 **LISA LANGE:** MY NAME IS LISA LANGE AND I REPRESENT PEOPLE FOR
4 THE ETHICAL TREATMENT OF ANIMALS AND OUR MORE THAN 100,000
5 MEMBERS WHO LIVE IN LOS ANGELES AND WORK IN THE LOS ANGELES
6 COUNTY AND WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR
7 CONSIDERING THIS LONG OVERDUE LIFESAVING MEASURE FOR L.A.
8 COUNTY. WITH AN ASTOUNDING 30,000 CATS, CLOSE TO 30,000 CATS,
9 ENTERING COUNTY SHELTERS LAST YEAR, COUNTLESS ANIMALS WHO
10 DON'T MAKE IT TO THE SHELTER ARE DYING ON THE STREETS. SPAYING
11 AND NEUTERING REQUIREMENTS NOT ONLY REDUCE THE NUMBER OF
12 HOMELESS ANIMALS IN COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE PASSED THEM BUT THEY
13 ALSO HELP REDUCE THE WORKLOAD AND HEARTACHE OF WORKERS AT
14 TAXPAYER FUNDED SHELTERS WHO PROVIDE REFUGE TO CAST OFF,
15 ABANDONED AND ABUSED ANIMALS WHO ARE NEGLECTED BY PEOPLE. WE
16 STRONGLY SUPPORT THE COUNTY'S ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL
17 DEPARTMENT AND RECOGNIZE AS WE HOPE YOU DO THAT IT IS BEING
18 ASKED TO DO THE IMPOSSIBLE. AS LONG AS THE CAT BIRTH RATES ARE
19 ALLOWED TO RECKLESSLY INCREASE UNSTAUNCHED.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. CHRISTINA SEWELL. CASEY
22 KERN. YES, MA'AM.

23

24 **PHYLLIS DAUGHERTY:** PHYLLIS DAUGHERTY WITH ANIMAL ISSUES
25 MOVEMENT. I WAS ALSO ON THE COUNTY CARE FOUNDATION BOARD FOR

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1 ABOUT FIVE YEARS. OF COURSE, I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THIS. BUT I
2 WANTED TO SPEAK FROM A LITTLE DIFFERENT ANGLE, THAT THE TIME
3 OF DISPOSABILITY OF ANIMALS IS OVER. CATS WERE USED JUST FOR
4 RODENT CONTROL. THEY WERE OUTSIDE, IF THEY DIED, IT DIDN'T
5 MATTER. THEY DIDN'T HAVE A HOME. THAT'S OVER NOW. THEY ARE
6 COMPANION PETS AND THE AGENCIES NEED TO TREAT THEM DIFFERENTLY
7 AS WELL AS THE PUBLIC. SOME OF THE BENEFITS FROM THIS WILL BE
8 THAT THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES ESTIMATES THERE ARE 3 TO 4
9 MILLION FERAL CATS IN THE CITY ALONE. THIS WILL DECREASE THAT
10 ISSUE. WE HAVE HAD FIVE CASES OF RABIES CAUSED BY CATS
11 IDENTIFIED SINCE MAY IN THIS COUNTRY, YEAH, IN THE NATION. AND
12 THESE ARE THE VARIOUS THINGS THAT WE WILL-- COYOTES COMING
13 INTO THE COMMUNITIES WILL BE REDUCED. THESE ARE THE BENEFITS
14 THE ENTIRE PUBLIC WILL HAVE BESIDES BENEFITS TO CATS.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP BRIDGET
17 DILLON. YES, MA'AM.

18

19 **ANDREA ADELMAN:** HI, MY NAME IS ANDREA ADELMAN. I'M A RESIDENT
20 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I DON'T HAVE A CAT; HOWEVER, IN MY
21 NEIGHBORHOOD, I SEE HANDFULS AND HANDFULS OF FERAL CATS ALL
22 OVER SO I REALLY SUPPORT THIS ORDINANCE FOR CATS TO BE SPAYED,
23 NEUTERED AND MICROCHIPPED. I THINK IT'S GOING TO HELP MANY OF
24 THE CATS ON THE STREETS NOT DIE FROM BEING RUN OVER BY CARS,

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1 EATING POISON THAT'S LEFT OUT FOR OTHER RODENTS AND SUFFERING
2 HORRIFIC DEATHS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
5 VICTORIA HONG. YES, MA'AM.

6

7 **CHRISTINA SEWELL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND HONORABLE
8 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS CHRISTINA SEWELL. I LIVE IN LOS
9 ANGELES COUNTY AND I SUPPORT THE ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE THE
10 SPAYING AND NEUTERING OF ALL CATS. SPAYING AND NEUTERING IS
11 THE ONLY WAY TO PREVENT ANIMAL HOMELESSNESS. THE L.A. COUNTY
12 ANIMAL CONTROL DEPARTMENT HAS A HARD JOB THAT IS MADE HARDER
13 BY IRRESPONSIBLE CAT OWNERS WHO ALLOW THEIR ANIMALS TO RUN AND
14 REPRODUCE. THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SCHOOL OF VETERINARY
15 MEDICINE REPORTS ON ITS WEBSITE THE FOLLOWING, AND I'M QUOTING
16 NOW: IN SEVEN YEARS AN UNSPAIED FEMALE AND UNNEUTERRED MALE
17 CAT CAN PRODUCE UP TO 781,250 KITTENS. HOMES CANNOT BE FOUND
18 FOR MOST OF THESE ANIMALS, AND MANY EITHER END UP IN SHELTERS
19 OR ON THE STREET. ONLY A VERY LUCKY FEW ARE ADOPTED. THE REST
20 ARE EITHER EUTHANIZED OR DIE FROM TRAUMA, EXPOSURE, STARVATION
21 OR DISEASE. BY SPAYING AND NEUTERING YOUR CAT, YOU DO YOUR
22 PART TO END THIS TRAGEDY, END QUOTE. EDUCATION HAS REALLY
23 PROVED TO BE NOT ENOUGH HERE. JUST AS WE REQUIRE CITIZENS TO
24 ACT RESPONSIBLY IN OTHER AREAS LIKE TRUANCY OR CHILD TRUANCY

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1 AND REQUIRING CAR INSURANCE, WE MUST REQUIRE RESPONSIBLE CAT
2 OWNERSHIP. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. AND THEN, BRITTANY
5 GUSTAFSON. YES, MA'AM.

6

7 **CASEY KERN:** GOOD AFTERNOON MAYOR AND HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY
8 NAME IS CASEY KERN, AND I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I'M HERE
9 TO SUPPORT AN ORDINANCE THAT WOULD REQUIRE THAT ALL CATS BE
10 SPAYED, NEUTERED AND MICROCHIPPED. THERE ARE TOO MANY UNWANTED
11 ANIMALS IN THE COUNTY, AND WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO REDUCE THOSE
12 NUMBERS. THE COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTERS CAN ONLY DO SO MUCH,
13 ESPECIALLY WHEN CITIZENS FAIL TO TAKE EVEN THE SIMPLEST STEPS
14 TO ACT RESPONSIBLY BY SPAYING AND NEUTERING THEIR ANIMAL
15 COMPANIONS. OUR COUNTY MUST DO WHAT'S RIGHT FOR ANIMALS BY
16 REQUIRING AT LEAST THE MINIMAL STANDARDS OF CARE, WHICH
17 INCLUDE SPAYING, NEUTERING AND PERMANENT IDENTIFICATION. THANK
18 YOU SO MUCH.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MICHELLE FEINBERG? YES,
21 MA'AM.

22

23 **BRIDGET DILLON:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME'S BRIDGET DILLON. I'M
24 A LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENT, AS WELL. I'M HERE TODAY TO
25 SUPPORT THIS ORDINANCE AS SOMEONE WHO IS-- HAS A COMPANION

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1 ANIMAL, TWO COMPANION ANIMALS THAT ARE SPAYED AND NEUTERED. I
2 KNOW HOW IMPORTANT IT IS. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, AND ALSO ZOE DEAN. YES,
5 MA'AM.

6

7 **VICTORIA HONG:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS VICTORIA HONG AND I
8 LIVE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WHILE I DON'T HAVE ANY CATS OF MY
9 OWN, I'M AROUND IN MY WORK SPACE AND MY NEIGHBORHOOD AROUND
10 ENOUGH FERAL CATS TO KNOW THAT IT'S IMPORTANT. SO I'M HERE TO
11 SUPPORT THE ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE THAT CATS BE SPAYED, NEUTERED
12 AND MICROCHIPPED. AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP LAUREN
15 BOUSHEY. YES, MA'AM.

16

17 **BRITTANY GUSTAFSON:** THANK YOU. MY NAME BRITTANY GUSTAFSON. I'M
18 A RESIDENT IN LOS ANGELES. AND I AM IN SUPPORT OF THE
19 ORDINANCE. AND I JUST VOTE YES. I SEE FERAL CATS WEEKLY. THANK
20 YOU.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MARISSA PRICE AND YES,
23 MA'AM?

24

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1 **ZOE DEAN:** HI, MY NAME IS ZOE DEAN. I'M ALSO RESIDENT OF LOS
2 ANGELES COUNTY. I HAVE TWO INDOOR CATS AT HOME, WILLOW WHO IS
3 NEUTERED AND SAOIRSE, HIS SISTER, SHE IS ALSO SPAYED. I HAVE
4 PLENTY OF PICTURES IF YOU'D LIKE TO SEE. I REALLY AM IN
5 SUPPORT OF THIS ORDINANCE. IT'S SO IMPORTANT THAT WE DO THIS.
6 WE'RE GOING TO STOP THE SUFFERING AND DEATH OF TENS OF
7 THOUSANDS OF CATS. I ALSO LIVE IN A NEIGHBORHOOD WHERE I SEE
8 PLENTY OF THEM VISIBLY SUFFERING. I RECENTLY HAD TO PLACE THE
9 KITTENS THAT SOMEONE IRRESPONSIBLY JUST PLACED ON MY DOORSTEP.
10 IT WASN'T AN EASY FEAT TO FIND A RESPONSIBLE PERSON TO TAKE OF
11 HIM. SO PLEASE, AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR INVOLVEMENT.
14 LILLIAN TRAHAN? YES, MA'AM.

15

16 **MICHELLE FEINBERG:** MY NAME IS MICHELLE. I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES
17 COUNTY. AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE THAT
18 ALL CATS BE SPAYED AND NEUTERED AND MICROCHIPPED. I ALSO AGREE
19 WITH OTHER SPEAKERS IN SUPPORT OF THE ORDINANCE AND URGE YOU
20 TO VOTE YES TO PREVENT SUFFERING AND DEATHS OF TENS OF
21 THOUSANDS OF CATS IN L.A. COUNTY THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ALSO NADIA TAHA. YES,
24 MA'AM.

25

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1 **LAUREN BOUSHEY:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND HONORABLE
2 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME LAUREN BOUSHEY AND I WOULD LIKE TO URGE
3 YOU TO PLEASE SUPPORT THE APPROVAL OF THIS ORDINANCE, ADDING
4 CATS TO SPAYING, NEUTERING AND MICROCHIPPING LISTS.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ALSO KATHERINE ARTH. AND
7 HEATHER RALLY. YES, MA'AM.

8

9 **MARISSA PRICE:** HELLO MAYOR AND HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
10 IS MARISSA AND I LIVE IN L.A. COUNTY. I HAVE TWO CATS AT HOME
11 THAT ARE BOTH SPAYED AND MICROCHIPPED. AND I RECENTLY ADOPTED
12 THEM. ONE IS A KITTEN WHO WAS FOUND HALF DEAD, WAS MANGE IN A
13 GUTTER IN A PARKING LOT HERE IN L.A. THE OTHER ONE WAS
14 SOMEONE'S OUTDOOR CAT WHO WAS NOT SPAYED AND SHE HAD ALREADY
15 HAD MULTIPLE LITTERS OF KITTENS IN ONE YEAR AND SHE WAS FOUND
16 WITH A BROKEN LEG AND ALMOST DEAD. SO I REALLY SUPPORT THIS
17 ORDINANCE.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL MARY
20 CATALANO. YES, MA'AM.

21

22 **LILLIAN TRAHAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND HONORABLE
23 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS LILLIAN TRAHAN AND I LIVE IN L.A.
24 COUNTY. I HAVE TWO INDOOR CATS, BOTH OF WHOM ARE SPAYED AND
25 MICROCHIPPED AND ONE OF THEM WAS HOMELESS WHEN I FOUND HER.

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1 I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE THAT ALL CATS BE
2 SPAYED, NEUTERED AND MICROCHIPPED. I ALSO AGREE WITH THE OTHER
3 SPEAKERS IN SUPPORT OF THE ORDINANCE AND WOULD YOU TO VOTE YES
4 AND TO PREVENT THE SUFFERING OF THE DEATHS OF TENS OF
5 THOUSANDS OF CATS IN L.A. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. SUSAN TAYLOR? YES, MA'AM.

8

9 **NADIA TAHA:** HI, MY NAME IS NADIA TAHA. THANK YOU SO MUCH, MR.
10 MAYOR AND HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, FOR HEARING THIS MATTER
11 TODAY. I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY WITH A DOG AND AN INDOOR
12 CAT, BOTH OF WHOM ARE NEUTERED, SPAYED AND MICROCHIPPED. MY
13 CAT, LUNA HAKUNA MATATA LOVEGOOD WAS FOUND IN AN ALLEY HERE IN
14 LOS ANGELES. SHE WAS SPAYED, MICROCHIPPED AND VACCINATED
15 THROUGH A PUBLIC PROGRAM FOR \$25. I SUPPORT THE INTRODUCTION
16 OF THIS ORDINANCE TO PROTECT CATS BY ADDING THEM TO THE
17 EXISTING ORDINANCE REQUIRING DOGS BE SPAYED, NEUTERED AND
18 PERMANENTLY IDENTIFIED. I SUPPORT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
19 DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL, AND I KNOW THAT I AS
20 ALL SUPPORTERS OF THE SHELTER, WOULD LIKE TO SEE IT EMPTIED.
21 WE HAVE TOO MANY HOMELESS CATS IN OUR COMMUNITY AND WE HAVE TO
22 STEP UP EFFORTS AND ENFORCEMENT TO FIX THIS. SPAYING AND
23 NEUTERING PREVENTS UNWANTED BIRTHS AND IMPROVES THE HEALTH AND
24 PSYCHOLOGICAL WELL-BEING OF THE INDIVIDUAL ANIMALS THEMSELVES.
25 JUST AS WE REQUIRE PEOPLE TO ACT RESPONSIBLY BY WEARING SEAT

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1 BELTS. WE MUST REQUIRE RESPONSIBLE GUARDIANSHIP FOR ANIMALS.

2 THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, MA'AM.

7

8 **KATHERINE ARTH:** GOOD AFTERNOON MAYOR AND HONORABLE
9 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS KATHERINE ARTH AND I LIVE IN DISTRICT
10 1 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I FULLY SUPPORT AN ORDINANCE TO ADD
11 CATS TO THE EXISTING SPAY, NEUTER AND MICROCHIP ORDINANCE. WE
12 OWE IT TO OUR COUNTY'S ANIMALS AND THE HARD WORKING STAFF
13 MEMBERS AT OUR SHELTERS TO TAKE STRONGER STEPS TO PREVENT CAT
14 OVERPOPULATION AND HOMELESSNESS BY REQUIRING CAT OWNERS TO ACT
15 RESPONSIBLY, HAVING THEIR CATS SPAYED, NEUTERED AND
16 MICROCHIPPED. OUR COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTERS DO THE BEST THAT THEY
17 CAN, BUT THEY HAVE AN IMPOSSIBLE AND THANKLESS JOB, AND THEY
18 NEED OUR HELP. THE ANDMENTS BEING CONSIDERED WILL DO THAT.
19 PLEASE VOTE IN THEIR FAVOR.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

22

23 **MARY CATALANO:** MY NAME IS MARY CATALANO. I'M AN ANIMAL
24 RESCUER. I HAVE BEEN RESCUING ANIMALS FOR 13 YEARS. IT HAS
25 RUINED MY LIFE. IT IS A VERY TERRIBLE AND HORRIBLE EXISTENCE

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1 TO KNOW ABOUT. I WOULD REALLY APPRECIATE IF I HAVE SOME
2 ATTENTION. I HOPE I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT
3 THAT THIS GO THROUGH. I AM SICK AND TIRED OF HAVING TO RESCUE
4 CATS. I LOVE CATS. CATS ARE TREATED TERRIBLY. AND THEY
5 REPRODUCE VERY, VERY QUICKLY. IT'S A DEVASTATION. EVERY DAY I
6 GET HUNDREDS OF EMAILS ABOUT HOW MANY CATS, AND I SEE THEIR
7 PICTURES AND THEY'RE ALL GOING TO DIE BECAUSE THEY DO NOT HAVE
8 ENOUGH HOMES. THERE ARE NOT ENOUGH HOMES, THERE WILL NEVER BE
9 ENOUGH HOMES. PEOPLE NEED TO SPAY AND NEUTER. THEY NEED TO
10 MAKE IT EASY TO SPAY AND NEUTER. IT IS A CULTURAL CHOICE BY
11 SOME PEOPLE TO NOT SPAY AND NEUTER. PEOPLE NEED TO-- THERE
12 NEED TO BE HANDOUTS OF EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS EXPLAINING HOW
13 MANY ARE DEAD IN SPANISH AND ENGLISH EVERY DAY SO THAT PEOPLE
14 DON'T SEE THE SMALL PICTURE, THEY SEE THE BIG PICTURE. THE BIG
15 PICTURE IS A HORROR SHOW. I SPEND EVERY WEEKEND DOING
16 ADOPTIONS. I BARELY EVER GET AN ADOPTION OF A CAT. I ALSO WANT
17 TO EXPLAIN TO YOU THAT THEY ARE KILLED EVERY DAY. I WOULD BE
18 GLAD TO VOLUNTEER MY TIME TO GIVE YOU MATERIALS THAT I WOULD
19 HAVE TRANSLATED TO HAND OUT IN THE SHELTERS TO EDUCATE PEOPLE
20 SO THEY ARE MORE INTERESTED IN FOLLOWING THE LAW AND HAVING US
21 STOP KILLING SO MANY CATS THAT SHOULD NOT HAVE EVER BEEN BORN.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
24 LEADERSHIP. YES.

25

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1 **HEATHER RALLY:** GOOD AFTERNOON MAYOR AND HONORABLE SUPERVISORS.
2 MY NAME IS DR. HEATHER RALLY. I WAS BORN AND RAISED IN LOS
3 ANGELES AND I'M STILL A PROUD RESIDENT OF THIS PROGRESSIVE AND
4 ANIMAL-FRIENDLY CITY. I'M SO HAPPY TO BE HERE TODAY AS A
5 VETERINARIAN TO SUPPORT THIS ORDINANCE. AND BECAUSE SPAYING
6 AND NEUTERING SURGERIES ARE REALLY SIMPLE PROCEDURES AND THEY
7 HAVE REALLY-- THEY HAVE VERY REAL LIFESAVING BENEFITS, SO IT
8 HAS BEEN PROVEN THAT SPAYING AND NEUTERING CAN REDUCE THE
9 INSTANCE OF CANCERS, VERY SPECIFIC CANCERS AND ALSO FATAL
10 INFECTIONS IN FELINE PATIENTS. BUT THE MOST SIGNIFICANT
11 BENEFIT OF PASSING THIS LEGISLATION IS THAT IT IS OUR BEST
12 HOPE IN SOLVING THE PET OVERPOPULATION CRISIS IN THE CITY AND
13 IT IS RUNNING RAMPANT ON OUR STREETS. SO MAKING STERILIZATION
14 SURGERIES MANDATORY IS KEY TO PREVENTING ANIMALS FROM BEING
15 BORN INTO IRRESPONSIBLE HOMES WHERE THEY'RE DESTINED FOR A
16 LIFE OF NEGLECT OR, WORSE, WITHOUT ANY HOME AT ALL. OUR
17 BELOVED PETS DO NOT BELONG ON THE STREETS WHERE THEIR LIFE IS
18 WROUGHT WITH STARVATION AND HAZARDS AND DISEASE. OUR COMMUNITY
19 CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE TODAY BY PASSING THIS ORDINANCE. THANK
20 YOU.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. AFTER THIS SPEAKER, THE
23 LAST ONE WILL BE NINA PSOMAS IN LANCASTER. YES, MA'AM.

24

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1 **SUSAN TAYLOR:** HI I'M SUSAN TAYLOR. I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
2 OF ACTORS AND OTHERS FOR ANIMALS AND WE ARE 45 YEARS OLD. WE
3 ARE A SPAY NEUTER ORGANIZATION AND WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH
4 THE COUNTY FOR 45 YEARS BECAUSE WE UNDERSTOOD THEN AS WE
5 UNDERSTAND TODAY THAT ADOPTION, YOU CAN'T ADOPT OUT THE
6 PROBLEM. YOU HAVE TO GET TO THE ROOT OF THE PROBLEM. AND WE
7 WERE DOING IT BEFORE SPAY/NEUTER WAS EVEN KNOWN TO THE GENERAL
8 PUBLIC. I WAS DOWN HERE FIVE YEARS TO SUPPORT THE DOG
9 SPAY/NEUTER ORDINANCE. I'M BACK FOR THE CATS BECAUSE IT NEEDS
10 TO BE ALL PETS. THE TRUTH OF THE MATTER, A RESPONSIBLE PET
11 GUARDIAN WILL HAVE THEIR PET SPAY OR NEUTERED. THEY WILL HAVE
12 THEM MICROCHIPPED IN CASE THEY GET LOST AND HAVE ALL THE SHOTS
13 AND SUCH. SO I AM MORE THAN HAPPY TO BE DOWN HERE AND PROUD TO
14 SPONSOR THIS BILL AND HOPE YOU DO IT AND WE WILL CONTINUE, AS
15 I SAY, 45 YEARS, WE CONTINUE TO WORK THE COUNTY. WE WORK ALL
16 IN LANCASTER, LAKE L.A., ALL THOSE LOVELY AREAS OF TOWN AND WE
17 WILL CONTINUE TO DO OUR PROGRAMS. WE DO IT IN FIVE COUNTIES.
18 THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP. NINA?

21

22 **NICOLE PARSON:** I THINK PART OF THE AFFORDABLE OR THE
23 REINVESTMENT HEALTHCARE--

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25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'RE ON THE CAT ISSUE.

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2 **NICOLE PARSON:** YES. I THINK THAT AFFORDABLE-- YES, THANK YOU,
3 SIR. THE AFFORDABLE CARE, IT HAS COMPASSION. COMPASSION
4 INSURANCE. SO IF WE WERE SICK AND THEN OKAY, SO LIKE IF I WAS
5 SICK, IF I WENT TO JAIL--

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'RE TALKING ABOUT NEUTERING CATS. I
8 THINK YOU'RE ON THE WRONG TOPIC, NINA?

9

10 **NICOLE PARSON:** NO. MY NAME'S NICOLE.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THIS IS ANIMAL CONTROL. OKAY, NINA. WE
13 WILL HEAR FROM YOU IN PUBLIC COMMENT, OKAY?

14

15 **NICOLE PARSON:** NO, I'M LEAVING.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WELL THEN WE WILL HEAR YOU NEXT WEEK.
18 I THINK WE CAN WAIT A WEEK, OKAY? THANK YOU. OKAY. SUPERVISOR
19 KUEHL AND I HAVE AN AMENDMENT TO THIS MOTION. "FINDING
20 PERMANENT ADOPTIVE HOMES FOR THE ANIMALS CARED FOR BY THE
21 DEPARTMENT IS A TOP PRIORITY IN OUR MISSION TO PROTECT PEOPLE
22 AND ANIMALS. PROTECTING MORE ADOPTIONS BY SUBSIDIZING THE FEE
23 FOR ADOPTIONS MAY ENCOURAGE MORE PEOPLE TO ADOPT THEIR PETS
24 FROM OUR COUNTY ANIMAL CARE CENTERS. THE AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR
25 THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS IS ALREADY UNDERWRITING

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1 THE COST OF ADOPTING CATS THROUGH A GENEROUS GRANT PROVIDED TO
2 THE DEPARTMENT. IT'S HOPED THAT THIS ADOPTION SUBSIDY WOULD
3 ENCOURAGE MORE CAT ADOPTIONS. A PILOT PROGRAM WOULD ALSO HELP
4 DETERMINE IF THE SAME FEE SUBSIDY STRUCTURE WOULD INCREASE THE
5 ADOPTION OF DOGS FROM COUNTY ANIMAL CARE CENTERS. THE PROGRAM
6 WOULD BE USED TO EVALUATE THE IMPACT OF SUBSIDIZED FEES FOR
7 DOG ADOPTIONS THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO DETERMINE WHETHER SUCH
8 A PROGRAM SHOULD BE PERMANENTLY IMPLEMENTED FOR DOG ADOPTIONS.
9 WE WOULD THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE C.E.O. AND THE DIRECTOR OF
10 THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL REPORT BACK TO THE
11 BOARD IN 30 DAYS WITH AN IDENTIFICATION OF A THREE-MONTH
12 PERIOD OF TIME IN 2015 TO DETERMINE HOW MANY DOG ADOPTIONS
13 TOOK PLACE. TWO, IDENTIFY A COMPARABLE THREE-MONTH PERIOD IN
14 2016 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDUCTING A PILOT PROGRAM OF
15 SUBSIDIZED ADOPTIONS TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE NUMBER OF
16 ADOPTIONS WOULD BE INCREASED FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR. AND
17 DETERMINE THE COSTS OF SUBSIDIZING SUCH ADOPTIONS AND
18 IDENTIFYING FUNDING SOURCES TO SUSTAIN THAT PROGRAM." SO THE
19 MOTION AS AMENDED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND MYSELF. SO ORDERED
20 WITHOUT OBJECTION. AND ITEM 43. OH, I TAKE THAT BACK. OKAY.

21

22 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** SO ITEM 34 WAS PASSED WITH THE MOTION. I
23 SIMPLY WANTED TO THANK THE MANY, MANY WOMEN WHO CAME TO
24 TESTIFY ABOUT OUR CATS. THERE'S SORT OF THIS MYTHOLOGY THAT
25 WOMEN LIKE CATS AND MEN LIKE DOGS AND I GUESS IT'S NOT A

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1 MYTHOLOGY BECAUSE HERE WE ALL WERE. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR
2 TAKING THE TIME.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MY FAMILY HAS A CAT, TOO, SHEILA. AND
5 THREE DOGS.

6

7 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** IT ISN'T ACROSS-THE-BOARD. I WAS JUST SORT
8 OF STRUCK BY THE DEMOGRAPHIC. THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY. OKAY,
9 THE NEXT ITEM, MR. MAYOR?

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** 43.

12

13 **AVIANNA URIBE, ACTING ASS'T. EXEC. OFCR.:** ITEM 43 THIS IS THE
14 HEARING ON THE APPEAL OF PROJECT R2012-02436 TO R2012-02440
15 AND R2013-03620 TO R2013-03630 LOCATED IN THE 25700 BLOCK OF
16 PIUMA ROAD WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF MONTE NIDO
17 AND THE MALIBU ZONED DISTRICT APPEALED BY VINTAGE PACIFIC AT
18 MONTE NIDO L.L.C. THERE IS A DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT AND
19 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY
20 BEFORE THE BOARD PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE
21 SWORN IN. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO
22 YOU SOLEMNLY SWEAR TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND
23 NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD?

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1 **RUDY SILVAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR ANTONOVICH, HONORABLE BOARD
2 MEMBERS, RUDY SILVAS, ALONG WITH MITCH GLAZER AND THE DIRECTOR
3 MR. RICHARD BRUCKNER, PRESENTING TO YOU THIS AFTERNOON THE
4 APPEAL OF A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION WITH THIS
5 MITIGATION MONITORING REPORTING PROGRAM, IDENTIFIED AS
6 ENVIRONMENTAL CASE NUMBER 2012-00258. THE DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL
7 PLANNING ADOPTED AND APPROVED THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE
8 DECLARATION ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2014 FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL
9 ANALYSIS IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF 16 SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES IN MONTE
10 NIDO TRACT 3931. THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION WAS
11 PREPARED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE 1986 MALIBU LAND USE PLAN THEN
12 IN EFFECT AT THE TIME. ON OCTOBER 8, 2014, THE MONTE NIDO
13 VALLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION APPEALED THE DIRECTOR'S DECISION
14 TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION. AND ON APRIL 8, 2015, THE
15 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION WITH A VOTE OF 4-0 VOTED TO
16 UPHOLD THE APPEAL AND OVERTURN THE DIRECTOR'S DECISION TO
17 ADOPT THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION BASED ON THE PREMISE
18 THAT A NEW ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BE PREPARED FOR THE
19 PROJECTS UNDER THE NEW SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL COASTAL
20 PROGRAM CERTIFIED BY THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION ON
21 OCTOBER 10, 2014. ON APRIL 22, 2015, THE APPLICANT, VINTAGE
22 PACIFIC IN MONTE NIDO APPEALED THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S
23 DECISION BEFORE YOUR HONORABLE BOARD. IN CONCLUSION, STAFF
24 RECOMMENDS THAT YOUR HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DENY THE
25 APPEAL AND INSTRUCT COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY

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1 FINDINGS TO AFFIRM THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S DECISION TO
2 INVALIDATE THE ADOPTION OF THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
3 AND ITS MITIGATION MONITORING REPORTING PROGRAM AND ALSO
4 DIRECT STAFF IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING TO ADVISE
5 THE DEVELOPER THAT IF IT WISHES TO PROCEED WITH THE
6 DEVELOPMENT IN THE MONTE NIDO TRACT, THAT A NEW ENVIRONMENTAL
7 ASSESSMENT BE REQUIRED AND THAT THE COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT
8 APPLICATIONS FOR THE PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AT THE
9 MONTE NIDO TRACT, IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE RECENTLY ADOPTED
10 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAMS SHOULD BE
11 SUBMITTED. THIS CONCLUDES OUR PRESENTATION WE'RE AVAILABLE FOR
12 ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE.

13
14 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** THAT CONCLUDES OUR PRESENTATION.

15
16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. LET ME CALL UP STANLEY LAMPORT.

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18 **STANLEY LAMPORT:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
19 STANLEY LAMPORT. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF VINTAGE PACIFIC OF
20 MONTE NIDO. THIS IS A REALLY SIMPLE ISSUE, WHICH IS THE COUNTY
21 APPROVED IN CONCEPT PLOT PLANS AND A CERTIFIED OR APPROVED A
22 MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION THAT DESCRIBED THE PROJECT THAT
23 WAS APPROVED WITH THOSE PLOT PLANS. AND NOW THE ISSUE IS THAT
24 THEY WANT-- THE THEORY IS THAT THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE
25 DECLARATION IS NOT ADEQUATE BECAUSE IT NEEDS TO DESCRIBE A

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1 PROJECT THAT IS DIFFERENT FROM THE ONE THAT WAS APPROVED. I
2 MEAN, AS IT GOES, THAT'S A FAIRLY NONSEQUITUR C.E.Q.A.
3 ARGUMENT. BUT WHAT THIS IS REALLY ABOUT IS BASICALLY IN THE
4 SECOND RECOMMENDATION, YOU'RE RIPENING A BREACH OF CONTRACT
5 CLAIM ON A \$22 MILLION BREACH OF CONTRACT ON A CONTRACT THAT
6 THIS BOARD APPROVED. AND MY CLIENT WANTS ME TO EXPRESS HOW
7 DEEPLY UNHAPPY HE IS, THAT HE TRIED TO DO THIS THE RIGHT WAY.
8 HE MET WITH THE BOARD OFFICE. THIS IS A PROPERTY THAT HAD A
9 LONG HISTORY OF GRADED SITES. HE MET WITH THE BOARD OFFICE.
10 OUTREACHED TO HOW WE COULD MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS SITE. THERE
11 WAS A WHOLE GAME PLAN FOR DOING IT. MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT
12 OF THE MONTE NIDO VALLEY HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION AND
13 SUBCOMMITTEE OF SIX MEMBERS, REPORTING BACK TO THE BOARD.
14 THERE WAS LITIGATION BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE PRIOR OWNER
15 OVER SEVERAL HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS' WORTH OF BONDS. MY
16 CLIENT AGREED TO SETTLE THAT LAWSUIT. HE SPENT MILLIONS OF
17 DOLLARS PREPARING PLANS. AND AS PART OF THAT ARRANGEMENT,
18 THERE WAS AN AGREEMENT WITH PLANS AND ELEVATIONS ATTACHED THAT
19 THE COUNTY WOULD EXPEDITIOUSLY PROCESS THESE PLANS. AND THESE
20 WERE ALL PLANS THAT WERE SUPPOSED TO BE COMPLIANT WITH TITLE
21 22 OF THE TITLE CODES SO IT'S ALMOST MINISTERIAL. AND THE
22 COUNTY TOOK FOREVER TO APPROVE THE PLANS. AND WHEN THEY WERE
23 FINALLY APPROVED IT WAS AT THE EVE OF THE ADOPTION OF THE
24 L.C.P. MY CLIENT'S TALKING WITH THE BOARD OFFICE. THE BOARD
25 OFFICE IS SAYING, DON'T WORRY, YOU GUYS ARE VESTED UNDER THAT

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1 PLAN. AND COINCIDENT WITH A NEW GROUP OF PEOPLE IN PLACE WE
2 ARE SUDDENLY TOLD, THAT CONTRACT ISN'T GOOD ANYMORE, AND THAT
3 IT'S NO LONGER ENFORCEABLE. THE COUNTY IS NOT GOING TO HONOR
4 IT. AND THAT PART'S DISAPPOINTING THAT WE ARE NOW IN A PLACE
5 WHERE WE ARE DEALING WITH GOVERNMENT, WHERE GOVERNMENT BECOMES
6 THE LOWEST COMMON DENOMINATOR OF A CONTRACTING PARTY. AND
7 THAT'S UNFORTUNATE. AND THAT REALLY IS WHAT YOUR
8 RECOMMENDATION DOES TODAY IS SAY ALL FUTURE PLANS BASICALLY
9 HAVE TO BE PROCESSED DIFFERENTLY THAN THE PLANS THE COUNTY
10 AGREED TO PROCESS IN A WRITTEN CONTRACT BECAUSE THE COUNTY HAS
11 NOW ADOPTED A PLAN WHICH THE COUNTY NOW TAKES THE POSITION
12 INVALIDATED THAT CONTRACT. AND MY CLIENT IS LEFT TO WONDER
13 WHETHER HE SHOULD HAVE ENTERED INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY
14 AT ALL AND WHETHER THAT'S REALLY THE WAY TO GO FORWARD WITH
15 THE COUNTY IN THE FUTURE, AND THAT IS UNFORTUNATE. BUT THE
16 ISSUE ITSELF IS REALLY SIMPLE. THE PLOT PLANS DESCRIBE A
17 PROJECT. THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION DESCRIBES THE SAME
18 PROJECT. AND THE CONTENTION IS THAT THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE
19 DECLARATION NOW HAS TO DESCRIBE A PROJECT OTHER THAN THE
20 PROJECT THAT WAS APPROVED, AND THERE'S JUST NO BASIS FOR THAT.
21 SO WE WOULD URGE YOU TO WORK WITH MY CLIENT IN THE SAME WAY
22 THAT THE COUNTY HAD BEEN WORKING WITH MY CLIENT UP UNTIL NOW
23 BECAUSE MY CLIENT WAS TRYING TO DO THIS THE RIGHT WAY AND WAS
24 TRYING TO COME IN AND STEP IN AND SOLVE PROBLEMS FOR THE
25 COUNTY. AND WHAT HE RECEIVED FOR IT WAS BASICALLY BEING OUT-

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1 OF-POCKET MILLIONS OF DOLLARS AND A CONTRACT THAT BASICALLY
2 WOULD BE TRASHED BY FOLLOWING THE RECOMMENDATION THAT YOU HAVE
3 BEEN GIVEN TO TAKE TODAY. AND THAT IS UNFORTUNATE. AND WE WISH
4 THAT YOU WOULD NOT TAKE THAT ACTION.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** MAYOR. THIS IS A VERY CONTENTIOUS HEARING AT THE
7 TIME PRIOR TO THE ARRIVAL OF THE NEW SUPERVISOR. AND WE WERE
8 VERY SPECIFIC IN OUR ASK ABOUT PROJECTS THAT WOULD BE IMPACTED
9 WITH THE APPROVAL. AND WE WERE ASSURED THAT ANY PROJECT IN
10 PLANNING IN THE PROCESS WOULD NOT BE NEGATIVELY IMPACTED. AND
11 SO I'M SOMEWHAT TAKEN ABACK AS TO FIND HOW THIS PROCESS WENT
12 AND THEN ALL OF A SUDDEN THERE IS A CHANGE. SO I DON'T KNOW
13 WHETHER IT'S COUNSEL, WHETHER IT'S REGIONAL PLANNING, BUT THIS
14 CERTAINLY, I THOUGHT WE WERE HIGHLIGHTING ALL THE PROJECTS
15 THAT WOULD NOT BE IMPACTED THAT WERE IN PROCESS. AND WE WERE
16 ASSURED BY YOU, MR. BRUCKNER AND COUNSEL, THAT IN PROCESS,
17 BLAH, BLAH, BLAH AND THEN ALL OF A SUDDEN WE HAVE A PROJECT
18 THAT WAS IN PROCESS AND NOW IT'S NOT VALID.

19

20 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** BUT THERE WAS A DEADLINE FOR FILING YOUR
21 APPLICATION THAT WAS ALSO INCLUDED WHEN THE NEW L.C.P. WAS
22 ADOPTED. THAT APPLICATION WASN'T FILED BY THE DEADLINE. SO IT
23 CAME UNDER THE L.C.P. INSTEAD OF BEING GRANDFATHERED IN.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** FRED GAINES. ROBERT LANCET. JOAN
2 YACOVONE. ROGER. PUGLIESE. YES, SIR.

3

4 **FRED GAINES:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY
5 NAME IS FRED GAINES WITH LOFTS, GAINES AND STACEY. WE'VE BEEN
6 ASKED TO MONITOR TODAY'S HEARING ON BEHALF OF VINTAGE HOLMES
7 WITH REGARD TO POTENTIAL LITIGATION AGAINST THE COUNTY IN THIS
8 MATTER. THE LITIGATION IN THIS MATTER WILL BE DIFFERENT THAN
9 THE TYPICAL LITIGATION, SHOULD THE BOARD DECIDE TO DENY MY
10 CLIENT'S APPEAL BECAUSE IT'S A BREACH OF CONTRACT LITIGATION.
11 THERE'S A CONTRACT THAT WAS ENTERED INTO WITH THE COUNTY. I'M
12 READING FROM THE CONTRACT. "THE PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT IS TO
13 ESTABLISH THE TERMS OF THE PARTIES AGREEMENT WITH RESPECT TO
14 THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE RESIDENTIAL LOTS AND CONVEYANCE OF THE
15 DEDICATION LOTS." SO WHAT YOU HAD WAS, THEY WANTED US TO GIVE
16 UP FIVE LOTS AS OPEN SPACE AND IN EXCHANGE, THEY WERE GOING TO
17 PROVIDE APPROVALS FOR THE EXACT HOMES THAT WERE ATTACHED TO
18 THE AGREEMENT, PICTURES AND RENDERINGS AND PLANS. SO MY CLIENT
19 WENT AHEAD AND DID THAT. THEY MODIFIED THEIR MAP. THEY GAVE
20 THE FIVE OPEN LOTS. THEY OFFERED TO DEDICATE THE FIVE OPEN
21 LOTS. THEY DID EVERYTHING REQUIRED. THEY WENT TO GET THEIR
22 APPROVALS AND NOW THE APPROVALS, ON A TECHNICALITY, THAT THE
23 M.N.D IS NO GOOD. THIS IS ON A PROJECT WHERE THE LOTS EXIST
24 FOR YEARS ON AN E.I.R. THEY WERE ALREADY GRADED. THIS IS JUST
25 PAST THE SADDLE PEAK LODGE IF YOU HAD EVER BEEN THERE ON PIUMA

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1 ROAD. THERE'S THE FIREHOUSE, THE SADDLE PEAK LODGE 100 YARDS
2 DOWN. THESE LOTS EXIST. WHEN YOU HAVE BREACH OF CONTRACT
3 LITIGATION, THE DEFERENCE GIVEN TO THE BOARD FOR ABUSE OF
4 DISCRETION IS NOT THE STANDARD. THE STANDARD IS, WHAT WAS THE
5 INTENT OF THE CONTRACT AND HAVE THE PARTIES ACTED IN GOOD
6 FAITH TO SEE TO IT THAT THE CONTRACT'S BEEN DONE? AND THIS
7 KIND OF LITIGATION ALLOWS FOR DISCOVERY. IT ALLOWS FOR
8 DAMAGES. IT ALLOWS FOR A TRIAL. I'LL TAKE ANY OF YOU GUYS AS
9 JURORS IN THE TRIAL. IS THE COUNTY LIVING UP TO THE CONTRACT?
10 THE COUNTY IS NOT LIVING UP TO THE CONTRACT. THAT'S WHY THE
11 DEFERENCE NORMALLY GIVEN TO THE SUPERVISORY DISTRICT ON A
12 POLITICAL ISSUE IS ONE THING. BUT WHEN YOU HAVE A BREACH OF
13 CONTRACT EXPOSING THE COUNTY TO THESE KINDS OF DAMAGES I THINK
14 IT'S IMPORTANT FOR THE SUPERVISORS TO LOOK AT IT
15 INDEPENDENTLY. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

18

19 **JOAN YACOVONE:** JOAN YACOVONE. I LIVE IN AGOURA HILLS. I'M
20 HERE-- GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF THE
21 HOMEOWNERS IN THE MONTE NIDO AREA. THE VINTAGE PACIFIC DID NOT
22 COMPLETE THE PERMIT PROCESS WITH THE COASTAL COMMISSION BEFORE
23 THE CUTOFF DATE OF 10/10/14. THE LOCAL COASTAL PLAN WAS
24 FINALLY APPROVED BY THE COUNTY AFTER MANY YEARS OF MEETINGS
25 AND COMPROMISES WITH RESIDENTS AND ELECTED OFFICIALS. VINTAGE

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1 PACIFIC MUST NOW COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS NEW
2 PLANNING DOCUMENT. PLEASE UPHOLD, PLEASE SUPPORT THE STAFF
3 RECOMMENDATION. UPHOLD THE PLANNING COMMISSION DECISION AND
4 DENY THIS APPEAL. THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP JOAN SLIMOCOSKY
7 AND JOAN KAY. YES? YES, SIR.

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9 **ROBERT LANCET:** MY NAME IS ROBERT LANCET. I REPRESENT THE WEST
10 HILLS HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION. IT'S IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA
11 OF WEST HILLS. WE'RE COMMITTED TO PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT
12 OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AND SUPPORT THE RIM OF THE
13 VALLEY STUDY OBJECTIVES. WE SUPPORT THE REGIONAL PLANNING
14 COMMISSION DECISION TO INVALIDATE THE M.N.D. AND THE M.M.R.P.
15 AND REQUIRE COMPLIANCE WITH THE LOCAL COASTAL PLAN. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. JO POWE. JO POWE? YES,
18 SIR.

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20 **ROGER PUGLIESE:** SO IT'S ROGER PUGLIESE.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY, PUGLIESE.

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24 **ROGER PUGLIESE:** THERE YOU GO. THE TOPANGA ASSOCIATION OF
25 RESEDA COMMUNITY CURRENTLY WITH A MEMBERSHIP OF OVER 250

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1 PEOPLE IN TOPANGA SUPPORTS THE REGIONAL PLANNING'S
2 RECOMMENDATION TO DENY VINTAGE PACIFIC'S APPEAL. THE PROJECT
3 MUST COMPLY WITH THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL COASTAL
4 PLAN. OUR COMMUNITIES HAVE WORKED LONG AND HARD TO PROTECT THE
5 NATURAL AND BEAUTIFUL RESOURCES THAT THE SANTA MONICA
6 MOUNTAINS PROVIDE ALL OF THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES. REGIONAL
7 PLANNING HAS DECIDED TO INVALIDATE THE MINIMUM-- THE NEGATIVE
8 DEC, AND WAS RIGHT ON THAT PARTICULAR ISSUE. THE PROPOSED
9 SUBDIVISION FALLS SHORT OF THE GOALS. A NEW PROJECT MUST BE
10 SUBMITTED THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH WITH THE L.C.P. INCLUDING A
11 NEW ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL
14 UP WAYNE PEPPER. YES, MA'AM.

15

16 **JOAN SLIMOCOSKY:** ANOTHER SIMPLE NAME, JOAN SLIMOCOSKY. LIVE IN
17 MONTE NIDO, A RURAL VILLAGE FOR 40 YEARS. IT IS LIKE MR.
18 LAMPORT SAID, PRETTY SIMPLE. VINTAGE PACIFIC ARGUES THAT THEY
19 ARE NOT COVERED. THEY DO NOT HAVE TO COMPLY WITH THE NEW
20 L.C.P. I HAVE TO COMPLY WITH LAWS. I THINK ALL OF THE REST OF
21 US IN HERE DO. THEY DID NOT COMPLY. I URGE YOU, DENY VINTAGE
22 PACIFIC'S APPEAL OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S DECISION.
23 REQUIRE THAT THIS DEVELOPMENT LIKE ALL NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN
24 THIS AREA COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH BY THE 2014 SANTA
25 MONICA L.C.P. THANK YOU.

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2 **JOAN KAY:** MY NAME IS JOAN KAY. I HAVE LIVED IN MONTE NIDO 54
3 YEARS. AND MUCH OF THE LAND IN AND AROUND MONTE NIDO HAS BEEN
4 TURNED OVER TO THE PUBLIC FOR THE USE OF VISITORS WORLDWIDE.
5 STATE PARKS HAS ALMOST 4 MILLION VISITORS PER YEAR AND THAT IS
6 JUST FROM L.A. COUNTY ALONE. AND OUR TRAILS ARE ESPECIALLY
7 ENJOYED BY L.A. COUNTY CITIZENS AND SCHOOL CHILDREN. NOW LET
8 US JUST SUPPOSE FOR A MOMENT THAT EACH OF YOU SUPERVISORS WERE
9 TO GO ON VACATION IN THE GRAND CANYON. AND THAT YOU GOT THERE
10 AND ALL ALONG THE RIM WERE BUILT THESE VERY SAME HOUSES WE ARE
11 CONSIDERING HERE TODAY. AND ACROSS THE GREAT GRAND ABYSS YOU
12 SEE MORE OF THE SAME HUGE HOUSES ON THE OTHER RIM. AND THEN
13 YOU THINK TO YOURSELVES, GEE, I WONDER WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL
14 ABOUT NATURE AND THE GRAND CANYON. AND SO IT IS FOR THIS VERY
15 REASON THAT THE COUNTY ADOPTED STRICT DEVELOPMENT LIMITATIONS
16 JUST SO DEVELOPERS COULD NOT DESTROY THE SCENIC BEAUTY OF OUR
17 MOUNTAINS. YOU KNOW, MR. OSGOOD AND VINTAGE PACIFIC ARE NOT
18 THE ONLY LAND OWNER ALONG THE TRAILS. THE OTHER LAND OWNER IS
19 THE PUBLIC, YOUR CONSTITUENTS, WHOSE BEST INTERESTS ARE SERVED
20 BY REQUESTING A FULL E.I.R. FOR THIS PROJECT AND REFERENCE
21 ONLY THE 2014 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS L.C.P. THANK YOU VERY
22 MUCH.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. GARY WOOLLER. JANE
25 CUDWORTH. YES, MA'AM?

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2 **JO POWE:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M JO POWE. A RESIDENT OF MONTE
3 NIDO. AND I WANT TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE OF YOUR PRIOR CONTRACT.
4 VINTAGE PACIFIC TALKS ABOUT HOW THE MARCH 12TH, 2013 AGREEMENT
5 BETWEEN ITSELF AND THE COUNTY SOMEHOW GAVE THEM A VESTED RIGHT
6 TO BUILD THIS PROJECT. AND THAT THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO
7 CIRCUMVENT THE NEW RULES UNDER THE L.C.P. THAT'S JUST NOT
8 TRUE. THE ONLY AGREEMENT IN CALIFORNIA THAT COULD HAVE GIVEN
9 THE DEVELOPER SUCH A VESTED RIGHT WOULD HAVE BEEN A
10 DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT. THIS MARCH 12TH, 2013 IS NOT A
11 DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT. THE COUNTY HAD NO SUCH JURISDICTION TO
12 ENTER INTO SUCH A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH ANY LAND OWNER,
13 VINTAGE PACIFIC OR ANY OTHER, PRIOR TO THE CERTIFICATION OF
14 THE L.C.P. IN OCTOBER OF 2014, SO A FULL YEAR BEFORE THE
15 L.C.P. WAS CERTIFIED. THE ONLY ENTITY THAT COULD HAVE ENTERED
16 INTO A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE DEVELOPER WOULD HAVE
17 BEEN THE COASTAL COMMISSION, NOT THE COUNTY. THAT MARCH 12TH
18 AGREEMENT IS SIMPLY AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE
19 DEVELOPER TO DEAL WITH SOME DIFFICULTIES THAT HAD TO DO WITH
20 THE LAWSUIT REGARDING A PREVIOUS DEVELOPER AND SOME
21 INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AND BONDS. AND SO IT WAS A
22 CONTINGENT AGREEMENT THAT GAVE THE DEVELOPER THE UNDERSTANDING
23 THAT IF THE DEVELOPER, BUT ONLY IF THE DEVELOPER, WAS ABLE TO
24 GET THE DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS THAT HE WANTED, THEN HE WOULD AGREE
25 TO DONATE THESE FIVE LOTS AND PUT THEM INTO PERMANENT PUBLIC

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1 OPEN SPACE. BUT IT WAS NOT A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT. AND THERE
2 IS NO OTHER VESTED RIGHT THAT THIS DEVELOPER HAD, AS WAS
3 INDICATED EARLIER BY MR. BRUCKNER AND YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL.
4 THE DEVELOPER HAD A DEADLINE BY WHICH IT WOULD HAVE NEEDED TO
5 COMPLETE COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS TO THE
6 COASTAL COMMISSION. IT DID NOT MEET THAT DEADLINE AND,
7 THEREFORE, IT NOW COMES UNDER THE NEW RULES OF THE L.C.P.
8 THANK YOU.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. KIM LAMORIE YES,
11 SIR.

12

13 **WAYNE PEPPER:** I'M WAYNE PEPPER. I'M A RESIDENT OF MONTE NIDO.
14 AND THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME SPEAK. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON
15 BEHALF OF THE 10 MILLION WHO ARE REFERENCED IN THE INVOCATION
16 THIS MORNING BECAUSE NOT ALL 10 MILLION SHOW UP IN MY
17 NEIGHBORHOOD ON THE WEEKEND BUT SOMETIMES IT FEELS THAT WAY.
18 AND I'D LIKE TO SPEAK ON THEIR BEHALF BECAUSE THEY'RE THE ONES
19 WHO COME DRIVING THROUGH AND RIDING THROUGH AND HIKING
20 THROUGH. AND I URGE YOU TO HOLD UP THE L.C.P. BECAUSE THAT'S
21 WHAT IT'S DESIGNED FOR. IT'S DESIGNED TO BALANCE THE NEEDS OF
22 COMMERCE AND RESIDENTS AND VISITORS. PLEASE DENY THIS APPEAL.
23 THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. ERIC PREVEN. YES, SIR.

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2 **GARY WOOLLER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME'S GARY WOOLLER. I'M A
3 RESIDENT OF MONTE NIDO AND I'LL KEEP THIS BRIEF. I RECOMMEND
4 THAT YOU DENY THE APPEAL BY THIS DEVELOPER. THE L.C.P. APPLIES
5 TO THIS DEVELOPMENT AND COMPLIANCE WILL BRING IT IN LINE WITH
6 CURRENT PUBLIC OPINION AND REGULATION FOR A TYPE OF
7 DEVELOPMENT MORE SUITABLE FOR THIS LOCATION. ADDITIONALLY, THE
8 M.M.D. DID NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE FULL BRUSH CLEARANCE
9 REQUIRED FOR THE SUBDIVISION OF THIS TYPE IN A HIGH FIRE RISK
10 ZONE. THE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT REQUIRES 200 FEET OF BRUSH
11 CLEARANCE FROM EACH STRUCTURE. THE M.M.D. ONLY LOOKED AT
12 APPROXIMATELY 50 TO 60 FEET UP TO THE PROPERTY LINES. THE
13 REQUIRED 200 FEET OF CLEARANCE CROSSES THE PROPERTY LINE ONTO
14 PUBLIC OPEN SPACE AND STATE PARK AREA. THIS CLEARANCE WILL
15 CREATE SERIOUS EFFECT ON WILDLIFE AND THE NEIGHBORING STATE
16 PARKLAND. IN SOME CASES, THE POPULAR BACKBONE TRAIL WILL HAVE
17 VEGETATION CLEARED ACROSS AN OPENING VIEWS DIRECTLY INTO THE
18 DEVELOPMENT. BECAUSE OF THIS CLEARANCE, WE HAVE NEGATIVE
19 SCENIC IMPACTS, WILDLIFE HABITAT DESTRUCTION, AND SILT RUNOFF
20 FROM CLEARED SLOPES WELL BEYOND THE PROPERTY BOUNDARIES, NONE
21 OF WHICH WERE FULLY ADDRESSED IN THE M.M.D. THE PROBLEMS
22 CREATED WILL LAST DECADES LONG AFTER THE DEVELOPERS HAVE MOVED
23 ON. COMPLIANCE WITH A NEW L.C.P. WILL GIVE THE DEVELOPER AN
24 OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE THESE ISSUES ADDRESSED, REDUCING HARMFUL
25 EFFECTS OF LOCATING A SUBDIVISION NEXT TO STATE AND

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1 CONSERVANCY LAND. I RECOMMEND THAT YOU DENY THE APPEAL AND
2 ENFORCE THE L.C.P.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL
5 UP JILL REISS AND CARRIE BALTIN. YES, MA'AM.

6

7 **JANE CUDWORTH:** MY NAME IS JANE CUDWORTH. I'M A 30-YEAR
8 RESIDENT OF MONTE NIDO. I URGE YOU TO FOLLOW THE PLANNING
9 DEPARTMENT'S RECOMMENDATION TO UPHOLD THE PLANNING COMMISSION
10 INVALIDATION OF THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND INFORM
11 THIS DEVELOPER THAT IF HE WANTS TO DEVELOP THE PROPERTY, IT
12 MUST REDESIGN THE DEVELOPMENT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE NEW
13 L.C.P. THIS L.C.P. WAS CREATED FOR A REASON. AND THERE'S NO
14 REASON WE HAVE TO GO BACKWARDS AND ALLOW THIS TYPE OF
15 DEVELOPMENT IN SUCH AN INCREDIBLY BEAUTIFUL AREA USED BY MANY,
16 MANY NATURE LOVERS. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME CALL UP STEPHANIE
19 ABRONSON. YES, MA'AM.

20

21 **KIM LAMORIE:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS.
22 MY NAME IS KIM LAMORIE AND I'M PRESIDENT OF THE LAS VIRGINIS
23 HOMEOWNERS' FEDERATION REPRESENTING MORE THAN 10,000
24 HOMEOWNERS IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT
25 STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION TO DENY THE APPEAL AND URGE YOU TO

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1 REQUIRE THE DEVELOPER TO RESUBMIT A PROJECT THAT COMPLIES WITH
2 THE L.C.P. AND REQUIRE NEW ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THAT
3 NEWLY DESIGNED PROJECT. IT TOOK DECADES OF COALITION BUILDING
4 AND STAKEHOLDER INPUT TO BRING AN L.C.P. TO FRUITION THAT WAS
5 BALANCED, EQUITABLE AND THE COASTAL COMMISSION WOULD APPROVE.
6 MAKE NO MISTAKE ABOUT IT. THIS APPEAL BY VINTAGE PACIFIC TO
7 CIRCUMVENT THOSE EFFORTS IS A MAJOR CHALLENGE TO YOUR
8 AUTHORITY AS THE NEW ENFORCERS OF THE COASTAL ACT.
9 CONSTRUCTING A MASSIVE 16-HOME SUBDIVISION TOWERING TRACTS OF
10 CONCRETE INTO THE HEART OF OUR MOST SENSITIVE COASTAL HABITAT
11 AREAS WOULD WREAK IRREPARABLE DAMAGE TO OUR SCENIC,
12 RECREATIONAL AND ECOLOGICAL RESOURCES THAT ARE OF NATIONAL AND
13 REGIONAL SIGNIFICANCE AND FOREVER CHANGE THE PROTECTED
14 CHARACTER OF OUR RURAL VILLAGE OF MONTE NIDO. AS YOUR STAFF'S
15 LETTER INDICATES, THE PROPOSED PROJECT IS IN VIOLATION OF THE
16 NEW HOUSING REGULATIONS IN THE L.C.P. AND CANNOT BE APPROVED.
17 ANY LAND OWNER WHO HAD NOT COMPLETED AN APPLICATION TO THE
18 COASTAL COMMISSION FOR A C.D.P. BY THE CERTIFICATION DATE KNEW
19 THE NEW REGULATIONS WOULD APPLY. VINTAGE PACIFIC NEVER
20 COMPLETED THEIRS. THE L.C.P. DOES NOT TAKE AWAY A LAND OWNER'S
21 RIGHT TO REASONABLE ECONOMIC USE OF HIS PROPERTY BUT IT IS NOT
22 THE BURDEN OF THE PUBLIC OR ITS ELECTED OFFICIALS TO BAIL OUT
23 OR PERMIT ANYONE TO USURP LAWS, IN THIS CASE THE L.C.P., TO
24 MAGNIFY PROFIT. FURTHERMORE C.E.Q.A. REQUIRES AN ADEQUATE
25 PROJECT DESCRIPTION AS A FOUNDATION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL

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1 ANALYSIS. IF A PROJECT IS INVALIDATED THEN BY DEFINITION, THE
2 ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS ACCOMPANYING THE PROJECT BECOMES MOOT.
3 BOTTOM LINE, THERE IS NO PROJECT. WHAT WAS PROPOSED IS NO
4 LONGER FEASIBLE SO THERE IS NO REASON TO CERTIFY AN
5 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FOR A PROJECT THAT DOESN'T EXIST. WE
6 URGE YOU TO DENY VINTAGE PACIFIC'S APPEAL AND UPHOLD THE SANTA
7 MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME CALL UP PAUL
10 EDELMAN. YES, MA'AM.

11

12 **CARRIE BALTIN:** MY NAME IS CARRIE BALTIN AND I'M THE CURRENT
13 PRESIDENT OF THE MONTE NIDO VALLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION AND
14 ALSO 33 YEAR RESIDENT OF THE COMMUNITY. THE COUNTY NOW HAS THE
15 AUTHORITY TO ISSUE A COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT IN THIS AREA,
16 BUT IT MUST DO IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE NEW L.C.P. AND THE NEW
17 L.C.P. DOES NOT ALLOW VINTAGE PACIFIC TO BUILD THESE MASSIVE
18 HOMES. I URGE YOU TO FOLLOW THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT'S
19 RECOMMENDATION TO UPHOLD THE PLANNING COMMISSIONER'S
20 INVALIDATION OF THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND INFORM
21 THE DEVELOPER THAT IF IT WANTS TO DEVELOP THE PROPERTY, IT
22 MUST REDESIGN THE DEVELOPMENT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE NEW
23 L.C.P. THANK YOU.

24

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. AND ARNOLD SACHS.

2 YES, MA'AM.

3

4 **JILL REISS:** MY NAME IS JILL REISS. I'M THE SECRETARY OF THE
5 MONTE NIDO COMMUNITY VALLEY ASSOCIATION. PLEASE DENY THIS
6 APPEAL. MY HUSBAND AND I HAVE LIVED IN MONTE NIDO FOR 13
7 YEARS. PREVIOUSLY WE RAISED OUR CHILDREN IN NORTHRIDGE. AT
8 THAT TIME A SHEPHERD REGULARLY BROUGHT HIS ANIMALS TO GRAZE IN
9 THE MEADOW AT THE END OF OUR STREET AND I COULD WALK OUT MY
10 DOOR TO JOG ON QUIET HORSE TRAILS. OVER TIME, HOWEVER, THE
11 DEVELOPERS DISCOVERED AN OPPORTUNITY AND PORTER RANCH WAS
12 RADICALLY TRANSFORMED. FORTUNATELY WE DISCOVERED MONTE NIDO,
13 AN OASIS IN THE URBAN JUNGLE. WE CHOOSE TO LIVE HERE BECAUSE
14 OF THE RECREATION RIGHT OUTSIDE OUR FRONT DOOR, THE
15 SPECTACULAR SCENERY, THE DARK SKIES, THE FROG AND CRICKET
16 SYMPHONIES AND RURAL LIFESTYLE. WE FINALLY FOUND OUR PARADISE
17 AND WITH MANY OF OUR NEIGHBORS WE WORKED VERY HARD TO PRESERVE
18 IT. THAT'S WHY WE WORKED HARD TO SUPPORT ADOPTION OF THE
19 L.C.P. LAST YEAR AND TAKING SUCH A VISIBLE AND VOCAL STAND
20 HERE TODAY. WE REGULARLY HIKE THE BACKBONE TRAIL AND RIDE OUR
21 BIKES UP SCENIC PAIMA ROAD. I BROUGHT MY STUDENTS TO HIKE THIS
22 SECTION OF THE BACKBONE TRAIL SO YOUNGSTERS CAN EXPERIENCE
23 NATURE AND SERENITY IN A RURAL CONTEXT AND UNDERSTAND HOW IT
24 CONTRASTS WITH THE URBAN LOS ANGELES EXPERIENCE DAILY.
25 ALTHOUGH WE APPRECIATE THAT ALL LAND OWNERS SHOULD HAVE A

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1 RIGHT TO BUILD ON THEIR PROPERTY, WE ALSO BELIEVE THERE SHOULD
2 BE REASONABLE LIMITS SO THAT THE DEVELOPMENT COMPLEMENTS THE
3 COMMUNITY, IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE MANY ENVIRONMENTAL
4 PROTECTIONS OUTLINED IN THE L.C.P. VINTAGE PACIFIC'S PROPOSED
5 DEVELOPMENT OF 16 MASSIVE HOMES ON THE EDGE OF STATE PARK LAND
6 CLEARLY VIOLATES MANY OF THE NEW L.C.P. REGULATIONS DESIGNED
7 TO PROTECT THESE MOUNTAINS. THIS DEVELOPMENT WOULD ALSO
8 SEVERELY AND NEGATIVELY AFFECT THE ENTIRE PUBLIC'S ENJOYMENT
9 OF THESE UNIQUE SCENIC RESOURCES. WE IMPLORE YOU AND THE
10 COASTAL COMMISSION TO LOCK IN A REASONABLE AND BALANCED
11 PROTECTION THE L.C.P. PROVIDES. PLEASE DON'T LET THIS
12 DEVELOPER UNDERMINE EVERYTHING WE FOUGHT SO HARD TO ACCOMPLISH
13 WITH THE ADOPTION OF THE L.C.P. IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO
14 ENFORCE IT.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. THANK YOU. YES,
17 MA'AM.

18

19 **STEPHANIE ABRONSON:** I AM STEPHANIE ABRONSON AND I LIVE IN
20 MONTE NIDO ALSO. AND I WANT TO URGE YOU TO DENY THIS APPEAL
21 AND UPHOLD THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION'S DECISION.
22 VINTAGE PACIFIC DESIGNED THIS PROJECT WHEN THERE WAS NO LOCAL
23 COASTAL PROGRAM WHICH YOU'VE HEARD ALL OF US SAY. BUT ON
24 OCTOBER 10, 2014 THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION FINALLY
25 CERTIFIED THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS L.C.P. THE PLANNING

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1 COMMISSION CORRECTLY AT THAT TIME CONCLUDED THAT VINTAGE
2 PACIFIC HAD NO COMPLETE COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT
3 APPLICATIONS ON FILE FOR THIS DEVELOPMENT AT THE TIME THE
4 COASTAL COMMISSION CERTIFIED THE L.C.P. THEREFORE THE L.C.P.
5 APPLIES AND VINTAGE PACIFIC MUST COMPLY WITH IT, JUST LIKE I
6 HAVE HAD TO COMPLY WITH IT AS A PROPERTY OWNER AND EVERY OTHER
7 PROPERTY OWNER IN MONTE NIDO. PLEASE DENY THIS APPEAL AND
8 UPHOLD THE L.C.P. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. YES, SIR?

11

12 **PAUL EDELMAN:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, PAUL EDELMAN. DEPUTY
13 DIRECTOR OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND PLANNING FOR THE SANTA
14 MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY. I THINK THE KEY THING HERE IS
15 TIMING, THAT EVEN AS A PARK AGENCY WE WERE CAUGHT UP IN PARK
16 IMPROVEMENTS WITH THE L.C.P. TIMING. WE HAD TO CHANGE THE
17 PROJECT. IT COST US MONEY, BUT THE GREAT THING IS, IT MADE A
18 BETTER PROJECT TO BE CONSISTENT WITH THE NEW L.C.P. IT MADE A
19 BETTER PROJECT. I THINK THIS WILL MAKE THIS A BETTER PROJECT.
20 THAT'S THE LAW AND THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST SENSITIVE PARTS OF
21 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. IT'S WHERE THE L.C.P. REALLY NEEDS
22 TO BE ENFORCED AND WE URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE STAFF
23 RECOMMENDATION. THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. MR. SACHS.

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1

2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. I
3 DON'T REALLY HAVE A HORSE IN THIS RACE, BUT I'M CERTAINLY
4 INTERESTED TO HEAR THE OUTCOME, MORE OF THE DISCUSSION BETWEEN
5 THE TWO SUPERVISORS. I WANT TO HEAR MORE OF SUPERVISOR KNABE
6 GO, BLAH, BLAH, BLAH. AND WHAT SHEILA KUEHL SAID ABOUT--
7 SEEMED TO ME, THERE WAS A DIFFERENCE OF OPINION ON THE WORK
8 THAT THE COUNTY BOARD HAD DONE. SO WHAT THE PUBLIC IS SAYING
9 IS ONE THING, BUT I'M REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO HEARING THE
10 DISCUSSION BETWEEN THE TWO SUPERVISORS AND HOW YOU PLAN TO
11 WORK THIS OUT. THERE SHOULD BE SOME KIND OF LAWSUIT IF THE
12 DEVELOPER SUES BECAUSE YOU DON'T UPHOLD IT. THEN THE PUBLIC
13 SHOULD SUE IF YOU THE DO UPHOLD IT OR VICE VERSA. IF THE
14 DEVELOPER SUES BECAUSE YOU DO UPHOLD IT THEN THE PUBLIC SHOULD
15 BE ABLE TO SUE IF YOU DON'T UPHOLD IT. SO BETWEEN A ROCK AND A
16 HARD PLACE, I'M REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS DISCUSSION.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. PREVEN?

19

20 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON, SIR. IT'S ERIC PREVEN,
21 COUNTY RESIDENT FROM THIRD DISTRICT. I'M VERY SYMPATHETIC TO
22 THE INDIVIDUALS IN MONTE NIDO WHO DO NOT WANT THIS KIND OF A
23 16 SIZE DEVELOPMENT IN THEIR AREA. I'M ALSO SYMPATHETIC TO THE
24 DEVELOPER WHO SEEMED TO HAVE 13 APPROVED AND WAS DISQUALIFIED
25 BY THE GREAT COASTAL COMMISSION'S L.C.U.P. OR WHATEVER IT IS,

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1 L.C.P. NOW THE COASTAL COMMISSION HAS TO PROVIDE AN ADEQUATE
2 PROJECT DESCRIPTION OR THEY HAVE TO BE PROVIDED ONE SO THEY
3 CAN BE ALL MATCHED TO UP THE LAWS. I'M ANXIOUS, WE WERE IN
4 THIS HALL ON OCTOBER 6 JUST BEFORE THIS RULING OVER THERE.
5 THERE WAS A HEARING ITEM ON NO. 45 WHICH WAS VERY SIMILAR. WE
6 HAD A BUNCH OF INDIVIDUALS CAME DOWN HERE JUST LIKE THIS
7 GROUP, BY THE WAY. WHO SPOKE VOCALLY AND FORCEFULLY ABOUT
8 THEIR CONCERN ABOUT A DEVELOPMENT RIGHT ON THE WATER, IN THIS
9 CASE. I KNOW MONTE NIDO IS CLOSE. BUT THIS IS THIS HEARING IS
10 A HEARING. AND THERE'S GOING TO BE A DETERMINATION MADE AND
11 WE'LL HAVE TO ABIDE BY THAT. BUT IN THAT PARTICULAR CASE, THE
12 HEARING WAS MERGED INTO AN EXTENSION OF A LEASEHOLD FOR 35
13 YEARS OR SOMETHING, ITEM 24. IT WAS COMPLETE VIOLATION, SIR,
14 ONCE AGAIN. AND WHAT I'M ANXIOUS ABOUT IS THAT THE BOARD OF
15 SUPERVISORS SEEMS TO PICK A PONY. THEY SEEM TO PICK A PONY AND
16 THEN THEY BRING HIM DOWN IN A LITTLE BUS AND EVERYBODY EITHER
17 GETS WHAT THEY WANT OR THEY DON'T GET WHAT THEY WANT. BUT I'M
18 LOSING SIGHT OF WHERE THE EVALUATION GOES. THE EVALUATION
19 PROCESS HAS SHIFTED DIRECTLY OVER TO MR. ONCE AGAIN BRUCKNER
20 IS DOING AN EXTRAORDINARILY GOOD JOB OVER THERE. I THINK
21 NOBODY IS GOING TO ARGUE WITH THAT WHEN IT COMES TO SIFTING
22 THROUGH THE VARIOUS INTERESTS. EVEN KUEHL IS GOING TO CHUCKLE
23 ON THAT ONE BECAUSE THIS IS A GUY WHO GETS WITH THE PROGRAM.
24 ASK MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS WHO'S HAD TO LEAVE. OH, THERE HE IS.
25 HE'S COMING OVER TO GET ME. I'M NOT GOING TO PLAY THAT GAME,

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1 SIR. I AM GOING TO PLAY THE FOLLOWING GAME. THIS HEARING, LIKE
2 THE REMAINING HEARING, THE HEARING FROM THE OTHER DAY, NEEDS
3 TO BE RESET APPROPRIATELY.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MISTER, WE ALWAYS
6 APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS. OKAY. SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

7

8 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I'D LIKE TO THANK ALL
9 THE RESIDENTS AND THE STAKEHOLDERS FROM MONTE NIDO AND THE
10 REST OF OUR SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS WHO CAME DOWN TODAY TO
11 TESTIFY ON THE ITEM AS WELL AS THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
12 DEVELOPER. THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE RECEIVED 185 LETTERS URGING
13 THE BOARD TO DENY THE APPEAL. SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL
14 COASTAL PROGRAM, THE L.C.P., IS THE STANDARD OF REVIEW FOR
15 THIS PROJECT BECAUSE, AS YOU HEARD FROM SEVERAL PEOPLE WHO
16 TESTIFIED, VINTAGE PACIFIC FAILED TO FILE A COMPLETED
17 APPLICATION WITH THE COASTAL COMMISSION PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE
18 DATE OF THE L.C.P. I DON'T WANT TO GIVE THE IMPRESSION THAT
19 THEY WON'T BE ALLOWED TO BUILD BECAUSE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE
20 LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM, IF THEY FILE A NEW PROJECT, THEY WILL
21 BE ABLE TO BUILD AND IT'S ONLY THREE HOUSES LESS, I THINK,
22 THAT THEY HAD PUT UP BEFORE. THAT WOULD, OF COURSE, BE
23 DEPENDENT ON WHAT THEY FILE. BUT THE ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS
24 REQUIRED UNDER C.E.Q.A. DOESN'T HAPPEN IN A VACUUM. IT'S USED
25 IN CONJUNCTION WITH A SPECIFIC PROJECT. SO IN THIS CASE, SINCE

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1 THE PROJECT WHICH WAS PROPOSED IS NO LONGER FEASIBLE AND CAN'T
2 BE APPROVED BECAUSE IT IS NOT CONSISTENT WITH NUMEROUS
3 PROVISIONS OF THE COUNTY'S ADOPTED L.C.P., WE CANNOT ACCEPT AN
4 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FOR A PROJECT THAT NO LONGER EXISTS. I
5 WOULD THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CLOSE THIS
6 PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE AND ADOPT THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION
7 AS SET FORTH IN THE BOARD LETTER FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF
8 REGIONAL PLANNING. AND I FURTHER MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT
9 OUR COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY FINDINGS TO UPHOLD
10 THE DECISION OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SECONDED.
13 ANY COMMENTS?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL ABSTAIN.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION PASSES 4-0-1 WITH SUPERVISOR
18 KNABE ABSTAINING. [APPLAUSE.] LIFT THE ROOF. LIFT THE ROOF.
19 WE'LL NOW GO INTO ITEM NO. 3. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

20

21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** MR. MAYOR, I APOLOGIZE. I KNOW WE HAD SOME
22 WITNESSES WHO WERE GOING TO SPEAK, BUT I THINK-- OH, THEY'RE
23 HERE. THEY'RE COMING. THAT'S GREAT. GOOD. I'M GLAD NOT
24 EVERYONE IS TUNED OUT. THESE ARE IMPORTANT ITEMS.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME CALL UP THE FOUR RIGHT NOW. WE
2 HAVE PATRICIA JACKSON- KELLEY, HERACLIO, MR. AGUILAR. THOMAS
3 O'SHAUGHNESSY, AND ANTONIO CHAPA.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** DO WE WANT RUTH WONG TO COME UP?

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES. GENERAL WONG. WHY DON'T YOU COME
8 UP TO WHERE SHEILA IS. FIRST ASK GENERAL WONG TO MAKE AN
9 OPENING STATEMENT.

10

11 **GEN. RUTH WONG:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M RUTH
12 WONG, DIRECTOR OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS. DAILY WE SEE
13 HOMELESS VETERANS IN OUR OFFICES AND IN OUR STREETS. WE
14 PROVIDE NUMEROUS REFERRALS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH,
15 THE V.A., AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY FOR
16 HOUSING VOUCHERS. HOWEVER, MANY OF OUR VETERANS STILL FACE
17 HOMELESSNESS DUE TO BARRIERS. THEY ARE NOT ABLE TO FIND OR
18 RETAIN PERMANENT SECURED HOUSING. THE HOMES FOR HEROES REPORT
19 DATED AUGUST 2015 CITES A NUMBER OF CHALLENGES VETERANS FACE
20 WHO SEEK HOUSING. OUR REPORT INCLUDES A NUMBER OF
21 RECOMMENDATIONS TO HELP MEET THESE CHALLENGES, SUCH AS
22 PROVIDING ADDITIONAL RESOURCES, BUILDING A STRONGER HOUSING
23 SAFETY NET, AND CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR GREATER
24 COLLABORATION AMONG OUR PARTNERS. WE ARE HERE TODAY TO SUPPORT
25 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND SOLIS'S MOTION THAT SETS ASIDE \$5 MILLION

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1 OF THE HOMELESS PREVENTION FUNDS TO HELP VETERANS SECURE
2 PERMANENT AND SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. THESE FUNDS WILL HELP
3 INCREASE ACCESS TO LIMITED HOUSING STOCK, REMOVE MOVE-IN
4 BARRIERS SUCH AS MULTIPLE DEPOSITS. PROVIDE FOR FURNITURE
5 COSTS AND INSPECTIONS AS WELL AS TIGHTEN THE HOUSING SAFETY
6 NET BY INCLUDING THE VETERANS CLAIMS PROCESS. LEGAL ASSISTANCE
7 AND EDUCATION AND TRAINING AS PART OF THE WRAP-AROUND SERVICES
8 NEEDED. OUR GOAL FOR HOMELESS VETERANS IS THAT ALL VETERANS
9 HAVE ACCESS TO PERMANENT HOUSING AND THAT THE SYSTEM CAN
10 QUICKLY CONNECT THEM TO THE HELP THEY NEED TO ACHIEVE HOUSING
11 STABILITY. I THANK YOU.

12

13 **THOMAS O'SHAUGHNESSY:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPEVISORS. THOMAS
14 PATRICK O'SHAUGHNESSY, U.S. AIR FORCE RETIRED, VIETNAM. I AM
15 ONE OF THE NEWEST MEMBERS OF YOUR VETERANS' ADVISORY
16 COMMISSION, RECOMMENDED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. I WANT TO THANK
17 YOU FOR THIS MARVELOUS ACTION YOU'RE TAKING AND THANK YOU,
18 SUPERVISORS KNABE AND SOLIS. VETERANS COMMUNITY HAS BEEN
19 WONDERING HOW LONG IT WOULD TAKE FOR A GOVERNMENT TO COME
20 AROUND ON THINGS. YOU ARE STANDING ON THE FRONT END OF LEADING
21 THIS, AND THAT IS MARVELOUS. WE HOPE THAT THIS WILL BE THE
22 BEGINNING OF THE EFFORTS TO GET THE 4,000 PLUS VETERANS OFF
23 THE STREETS. AND THE TEMPLATE THAT THIS WILL CREATE WILL BE
24 ABLE TO BE USED AND MODIFIED FOR ALL THE OTHER HOMELESS IN LOS
25 ANGELES COUNTY, AS WELL. WE HAVE A NEW PHILOSOPHY ON THE

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1 HOMELESS. YOU LOOK AT UTAH, YOU LOOK AT SANTA BARBARA, AND YOU
2 ARE TAKING THE LEAD ON THIS. AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. YES, SIR.

5

6 **ANTONIO CHAPA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND
7 MEMBERS IN THE AUDIENCE. I'D ALSO LIKE TO WISH SUPERVISOR
8 SOLIS A HAPPY BIRTHDAY.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BEFORE YOU SPEAK, LET ME CALL UP DR.
11 CLAVREUL AND ARNOLD SACHS. START OVER.

12

13 **ANTONIO CHAPA:** THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ON
14 VETERAN HOMELESSNESS. MY NAME IS ANTONIO CHAPA, A VETERAN AND
15 I CURRENTLY WORK IN ASSISTING HOMELESS VETERANS FIND HOUSING.
16 I SERVED FOR 8 YEARS IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS AND
17 REACHED THE RANK OF SERGEANT. UPON MY DISCHARGE, I STRUGGLED
18 TO ADJUST TO CIVILIAN LIFE. I TOOK A LOW PAYING JOB AS A
19 SECURITY GUARD. DISPATCHER. I TRIED TO ADAPT IN LIVING WITH MY
20 FAMILY, HOWEVER, I FELT LIKE A STRANGER THERE. I FOUND MYSELF
21 IRRITATED, SHORT-FUSED AND OUT OF PLACE. THE ONLY PEOPLE I
22 FELT COMFORTABLE COMMUNICATING WITH WERE MY FELLOW MARINES WHO
23 WERE EITHER ON ACTIVE DUTY OR RECENTLY DISCHARGED. HOWEVER, I
24 DID NOT DISCUSS THE WAY I FELT WITH ANYONE. I BEGAN TO
25 WITHDRAW FROM FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND I FOUND MYSELF HOMELESS

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1 AND LIVING OUT OF MY CAR. FOR ABOUT A YEAR AND A HALF I DROVE
2 AROUND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES SEARCHING FOR AREAS WHERE I
3 FELT SAFE ENOUGH TO PARK AND SPEND THE NIGHT. MY HOMELESSNESS
4 WAS EXTENDED DUE TO LACK OF FUNDS AND MY SEARCH FOR HOUSING.
5 EVERY RENTAL I APPLIED FOR ONE REQUESTED A FEE FOR A CREDIT
6 CHECK WHICH SOME WERE \$50. SOME RENTAL SECURITY DEPOSITS WERE
7 TOO HIGH AND FAR FROM MY FINANCIAL REACH. I FORFEITED A GREAT
8 MAJORITY OF THESE HOUSING LEADS FOR THESE REASONS. THE SEARCH
9 FOR HOUSING WAS A STRUGGLE. I ALMOST GAVE UP ON HAVING A PLACE
10 I COULD CALL HOME. MY STORY'S ONLY ONE STORY OF THOUSANDS OF
11 HOMELESS VETERANS HERE IN OUR COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. ACCORDING
12 TO THE LOS ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICE AUTHORITY, LAST COUNTY,
13 THEY HAVE 4,343 HOMELESS VETERANS ON ANY GIVEN NIGHT ON THE
14 STREETS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THESE VETERANS
15 EXPERIENCE MANY CHALLENGES AND BARRIERS TO FINDING A HOME,
16 CHALLENGES SUCH AS MENTAL HEALTH, MEDICAL ISSUES AND FINANCIAL
17 STABILITY. FINANCIAL STABILITY IS NOT ONLY A CHALLENGE, IT IS
18 ALSO A BARRIER FOR VETERANS WHO MAY OR MAY NOT HAVE HOUSING
19 ASSISTANCE THROUGH VETERAN AFFAIRS HOUSING PROGRAMS. NUMEROUS
20 CREDIT CHECKS, HIGH SECURITY DEPOSITS, THE LACK OF AFFORDABLE
21 RENTALS IN SAFE AREAS, THE RED TAPE OF THE HOUSING PROCESS AND
22 ACCESS TO SUITABLE HOUSING CONTINUES TO DELAY AND AT TIMES
23 DETER VETERANS FROM FINDING A HOME. THESE CHALLENGES AND
24 BARRIERS ARE GREATER FOR WOMEN VETERANS. WOMEN VETERANS ARE

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1 MORE LIKELY TO BE HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD AND HAVE CHILDREN WHICH
2 PRESENTS A HIGHER NEED FOR HOUSING.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** CAN YOU CLOSE?

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6 **ANTONIO CHAPA:** YES, SIR. FOR THESE REASONS AND MANY OTHERS I'M
7 IN FAVOR OF THIS MOTION WHICH ASSIST HOMELESS VETERANS IN
8 REACHING HOUSING. I APPLAUD SUPERVISOR KNABE AND SUPERVISOR
9 SOLIS ALONG WITH THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND FELLOW
10 STAKEHOLDERS IN ASSISTING VETERANS COME HOME. AS A FRIENDLY
11 REMINDER, VETERANS DAY IS ABOUT THREE WEEKS AWAY. THANK YOU
12 AND SEMPER FIDELIS.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. DOCTOR.

15

16 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. DR. GENEVIEVE
17 CLAVREUL. I'M VERY MUCH IN FAVOR OF THAT MOTION. IT IS ABOUT
18 TIME. I THINK THE VETERANS ARE NOT OFTEN TAKEN CARE OF. MY SON
19 IS ONE OF THEM, BUT HE IS NOT HOMELESS. BUT I'M GLAD TO SEE
20 THAT SOMETHING IS DONE HERE FOR THE VETERANS WE HAVE.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS.

23

24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
25 AGAIN, I GUESS THE BLACK SHEEP. THE HOMELESS PREVENTION

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1 INITIATIVE THAT YOU'VE HAD IN EFFECT FOR THREE YEARS, I JUST
2 DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY IT WOULD TAKE SO LONG. YOU'VE HAD
3 PROBLEMS IN THE THIRD DISTRICT WITH THE V.A. THIS ISN'T BRAIN
4 SURGERY YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE. THIS SHOULD BE THINGS THAT
5 WITH ALL THE MONEY AND ALL THE RESOURCES AND ALL THE TIME AND
6 ALL THE YEARS OF EXPERIENCE THAT PEOPLE HAVE HAD COLLECTIVELY
7 IN DEALING WITH THE HOMELESS PROBLEMS, THE SITUATION THAT THE
8 TWO GENTLEMEN BROUGHT UP ABOUT CREDIT CHECK REPORTS AND
9 SECURITY DEPOSIT NEEDS, I MEAN, THIS IS SIMPLE MATH. FOR
10 PEOPLE THAT ARE INVOLVED, SO INVOLVED AND SO ENDEARED WITH
11 HELPING THE HOMELESS PROGRAMS, THESE AREN'T LIKE THINGS THAT
12 OH, YEAH, DO YOU KNOW WHAT? WE NEED TO CHECK ON THIS. THIS
13 SHOULD BE ABCS. AND YET IT'S TAKEN THREE YEARS TO GET TO THIS
14 POINT? THAT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE. THIS IS JUST MORE PATTING
15 YOURSELVES ON THE BACK. I FEEL GREAT THAT THEY'RE DOING
16 SOMETHING. BUT THE THINGS YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT? YOU GOT HALF A
17 MILLION SHORTAGE. HOW ABOUT THE REST OF THE PUBLIC. I
18 UNDERSTAND THEY'RE MAKING A COMMITMENT. BUT, STILL. HOW ABOUT
19 THE REST OF THE PEOPLE? THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE THE SAME
20 PROBLEM. THE 40,000 PEOPLE THAT ARE WAITING FOR VOUCHERS FOR
21 H.U.D.? YOU HAVE 200 PEOPLE TURNOVER PER YEAR? WHAT'S GOING ON
22 WITH THAT? DON'T BE SO--

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

25

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** SELF- CONGRATULATORY.

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ASK ONE QUESTION, GENERAL WONG.
4 WHAT SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES WOULD BE FUNDED THROUGH THE \$5
5 MILLION SET-ASIDE?

6

7 **GEN. RUTH WONG:** WELL, WE'VE MADE A NUMBER OF RECOMMENDATIONS,
8 BUT SOME OF THE THINGS THAT VETERANS FACE WHEN THEY HAVE A
9 HOUSING VOUCHER AND THEY'RE ABOUT TO MOVE IN ARE HOUSING
10 DEPOSITS ITSELF,

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** UTILITIES.

13

14 **GEN. RUTH WONG:** UTILITIES AND THINGS LIKE THAT.

15

16 **PHIL ANSELL:** SUPERVISOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, PHIL ANSELL,
17 DIRECTOR OF THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE. THE MOTION CALLS FOR THE
18 C.E.O. IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND
19 VETERANS AFFAIRS AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND
20 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO DEVELOP AN IMPLEMENTATION PLAN
21 AND REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS. SO IN THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN
22 WE'LL BE ADDRESSING WHICH OF THE RECOMMENDED STRATEGIES
23 INCLUDED IN THE HOMES FOR VETERANS REPORT SHOULD BE
24 IMPLEMENTED AND HOW THAT \$5 MILLION SPECIFIED IN THIS MOTION
25 SHOULD BE ALLOCATED AMONG THE STRATEGIES.

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. ANY QUESTIONS? SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** JUST THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WANT TO THANK
5 THE STAFF FOR OUR VETERANS AND ALSO OUR OTHER PARTNERS HERE.
6 IT WAS REALLY APROPOS TODAY TO HAVE THE SECRETARY OF H.U.D
7 COME IN AND TALK TO US ABOUT THIS VERY SUBJECT. SO WE'RE ON
8 TARGET. THERE WAS A REPORT THAT WAS RELEASED EARLIER IN THIS
9 YEAR THAT ACTUALLY REPORTED OUT SOME OF THE THINGS WE COULD
10 ADOPT. AND I KNOW THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS WILL BE UNDER-- WILL
11 BE REVIEWED BY YOU. SO I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS. THANK YOU
12 VERY MUCH. AND I THANK THE WITNESSES THAT CAME BEFORE.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** I JUST ADD THE SAME THING. A LITTLE BIT OF GOOD
17 NEWS IS WE ARE HAVING A RIBBON CUTTING TOMORROW FOR 87 NEW
18 UNITS FOR HOMELESS VETS DOWN AT CABRILLO. SO THAT'S A GOOD
19 PROGRAM. BUT WE STILL HAVE A LONG WAYS TO GO. AND THIS IS A
20 HELPFUL ONE. THANK YOU TO THE GENERAL AND TO THE S.S. FOR
21 THEIR EFFORTS IN THIS HOMELESS INITIATIVE. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS/KNABE CO-
24 AUTHORS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. AND LET ME ALSO SAY
25 THAT TODAY IS ALSO A SPECIAL DAY BECAUSE WE HAD THE SECRETARY

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1 OF URBAN AFFAIRS HERE AND IT'S ALSO HILDA SOLIS'S BIRTHDAY. SO
2 WE WISH HER A HAPPY BIRTHDAY.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** HAPPY BIRTHDAY.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE WILL GO TO THE HELD ITEMS.
7 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. NO. 8 YOU HELD.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, GOOD THING TO
10 ACKNOWLEDGE OPEN DATA WEEK. ITEM NO. 8 IS PRECISELY THAT. THE
11 IMPLEMENTATION OF OPEN DATA WAS SIMPLY A HISTORIC SHIFT OUR
12 VAST TROVE OF DATA AND PUBLIC RECORDS ARE NOW READILY
13 AVAILABLE IN A USER FRIENDLY FORM FOR THE FIRST TIME. THE OPEN
14 DATA INITIATIVE IS ENCOURAGING INNOVATION. AND ON SATURDAY THE
15 24TH OF THIS MONTH, WE WILL HOLD THE FIRST COUNTY HACK DAY AT
16 THE LENNOX LIBRARY TO INTRODUCE AND TRAIN YOUNG CODERS TO
17 DEVELOP SOFTWARE APPLICATIONS USING OPEN DATA. IT IS
18 OVERSUBSCRIBED ALREADY. AND SO WE ARE PLEASED ABOUT THAT AND
19 HOPE THAT SUCH WILL TAKE PLACE IN OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTY.
20 THE RESIDENTS OF THIS COUNTY, RESEARCHERS HERE, ENTREPRENEURS,
21 INNOVATORS AND PROGRAMMERS ARE ABLE TO ACCESS OPEN DATA. AND
22 THE POINT IS THAT IT IS FREE. WE WERE RECENTLY CONTACTED BY
23 STARTUP BUSINESSES THAT SHARED HOW THEIR BUSINESSES HAVE BEEN
24 AIDED BY UTILIZING OUR OPEN DATA SYSTEM. IT'S A PLATFORM THAT
25 WORKS FOR THEM. AND SO IT MOVES BEYOND AN ABSTRACTION. IT

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1 ENHANCES TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY AND HELPS IMPROVE
2 GOVERNMENT SERVICES. JUST THINK ABOUT IT. IT HELPS SMALL
3 BUSINESSES GET UP AND RUNNING AND EXPAND WHAT THEY SOUGHT TO
4 DO. AND SO TO DATE, WE'VE PUBLISHED QUITE A LOT. AND IT'S WELL
5 KNOWN. SO THE MOTION ESSENTIALLY SEEKS TO HAVE THE BOARD
6 PROCLAIM THIS WEEK AS OPEN DATA WEEK IN THE COUNTY OF LOS
7 ANGELES AND IT CHALLENGES EACH COUNTY DEPARTMENT TO PUBLISH AT
8 LEAST ONE DATA SHEET ON THE COUNTY OPEN DATA WEBSITE BY THE
9 END OF THIS YEAR, MORE SPECIFICALLY THAN THAT DECEMBER 15. AND
10 LAST BUT NOT LEAST, THE MOTION DIRECTS THE CHIEF DATA OFFICER
11 TO PREPARE AN ANNUAL REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION, PROGRESS
12 AND PUBLIC UTILIZATION OF THE COUNTY OPEN DATA WEBSITE AND TO
13 PUBLISH THE FIRST ISSUE NO LATER THAN MAY OF NEXT YEAR. MR.
14 MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, I PRESENT THAT TO YOU FOR YOUR
15 CONSIDERATION.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE HAVE SOME PUBLIC SPEAKERS.
18 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ERIC PREVEN. JOHN WALSH. AND VISITING
19 FROM THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, NINA.

20

21 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. IT IS ERIC PREVEN ON OPEN DATA WEEK
22 COMING UP OR IS IT THIS WEEK? I THINK WE ALL LOVE DATA. I WAS
23 TITILLATED, SIR, WHEN YOU SUGGESTED THAT NOW PUBLIC RECORDS
24 CAN BE ACHIEVED WITHOUT ANY DIFFICULTY WHATSOEVER. BECAUSE AS
25 YOU KNOW, I'VE BEEN HAVING SOME DIFFICULTY IN EXTRACTING

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1 VARIOUS RECORDS, AS HAS MY COLLEAGUE HERE TO THE LEFT. I WILL
2 SAY THAT ONE VERY SPECIFIC THING WE CAN DO AS WE LOOK AT THE
3 OPEN DATA PROGRAM, SIR, AS YOU CHUCKLE ALONG WOULD BE TO MAKE
4 IT SO THAT WHEN WE SEARCH, I THINK OURS IS CALLED CONTROL
5 PANEL. OR IS THAT THE CITY'S? WELL, ONE OF THEM IS CALLED
6 CONTROL PANEL AND ONE OF THEM IS CALLED OPEN DATA. YOU KNOW
7 WHICH ONE IT IS. IT'S THE COUNTY SITE. THEY'RE MANAGED BY A
8 SIMILAR GROUP CALLED SOCRATA. AND HERE'S A SMALL-- WHEN YOU
9 WANT TO DO A LITTLE CHECK SEE, LOOK SEE HOW MANY CONTRACTS DO
10 WE HAVE WITH, SAY, A.E.COM? YOU PUT IT IN, NOTHING COMES UP.
11 IT'S A PROBLEM. I LOOKED INTO IT. THEY FINALLY CONFESSED,
12 UNDER DURESS, THAT WE CAN'T DO THAT HERE AT THE COUNTY SYSTEM.
13 I SAID WELL WE CAN DO IT OVER AT MR. GALPERN'S SYSTEM AND HE'S
14 AWFUL CHIPPER AND HAPPY. AND THEY SAID, WELL THAT'S THE CITY
15 SYSTEM. THEY HAVE TUNED THAT UP BECAUSE THAT'S MAYOR
16 GARCETTI'S CAMP. YOU'RE IN THE COUNTY. THAT'S MAYOR
17 ANTONOVICH'S CAMP. IT'S A DIFFERENT APPROACH. SO THAT'S WHY I
18 TURN TO THE GREAT SECOND DISTRICT SUPERVISOR TO SEE IF HE
19 MIGHT REACH IN AND DECIDE HEY, WHY NOT? THEN WE COULD CHECK
20 ALL THE COMPANIES THAT LIKE TO DO BUSINESS WITH MR. RIDLEY-
21 THOMAS OR WITH OTHERS AND HAVE A SENSE OF THE SCOPE OF THE
22 WORK. THIS IS NOT THE ONLY THING DATA CAN BE USED FOR, BUT
23 I'LL BE HONEST WITH YOU. FOR YOUR ADORING PUBLIC WHO HAVE VERY
24 LITTLE WAY TO RELATE WITH WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE COUNTY AND
25 CERTAINLY FOR THE SMALL BUSINESSES THIS, WOULD EXPOSE SOME OF

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1 THE STUFF THAT WE DON'T WANT TO SEE TOO MUCH OF AND THEN IT
2 WOULD RECEDE A LITTLE BIT. THAT'S THE NATURE OF OUR OPEN
3 GOVERNMENT SYSTEM IF IT WERE IMPLEMENTED PROPERLY. AT THE
4 MOMENT I THINK WE HAVE A LOT TO REACH FOR IN THIS SPACE. I
5 APPRECIATE YOU TAKING MY VERY CONCRETE PROPOSAL SERIOUSLY, MR.
6 RIDLEY-THOMAS. AND THANK YOU.

7

8 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. DR. GENEVIEVE
9 CLAVREUL. I KIND OF LAUGH WHEN I SEE OPEN DATA BECAUSE IT IS
10 LIKE PULLING TEETH TO GET ANY INFORMATION FROM THIS COUNTY.
11 LIKE AN EXAMPLE, IT'S ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO RETRIEVE ANY
12 INFORMATION THE PUBLIC HAS GIVEN ON ANY GIVEN DAYS. AND WE
13 SHOULD HAVE ACCESS TO THAT. AND IT'S NOWHERE TO BE FOUND. AND
14 EVEN WHEN WE DO A REQUEST FOR RECORDS, WE DON'T GET THE
15 RESPONSE. LAST WEEK WHEN I MADE THE REQUEST ABOUT SACHI HAMAI,
16 I DIDN'T ASK FOR THE JOB EVALUATION. I WAS REALLY PRECISE. I
17 ASKED FOR THE METRICS THAT HAVE BEEN USED. THAT AS A MEMBER OF
18 THE PUBLIC, I HAVE A RIGHT TO HAVE. THIS IS NOT A PRIVATE
19 DOCUMENT. I HAVE THE RIGHT TO KNOW WHICH METRICS HAVE BEEN
20 USED TO ASSESS HER. I AM NOT LOOKING FOR THE RESULT. AND YOU,
21 MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS, OBJECTED TO THAT LAST WEEK. YES, I HEARD
22 YOU IN THE BACKGROUND. PRIVILEGE TO REVIEW THE TAPE. BUT,
23 ANYWAY, TODAY I WANT TO GIVE FIVE DOCUMENTS, ARTICLES FROM THE
24 L.A. TIMES, DEALING WITH HEALTH INTEGRATION AGENCY. AND ALL MY
25 COMMENTS IN WRITING ON HOW I FELT ABOUT WHAT I'VE HEARD. AND I

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1 WOULD LIKE TO BE PART OF THAT OPEN DATA SOURCE. AND TODAY I
2 ONLY BRING ONE COPY. I'M SAVING A TREE. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. WALSH.

5

6 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG
7 RIGHT HERE OR AT JWALSH CONFIDENTIAL TWEETING AT
8 @HOLLYWOODDEMS. WELL I HAVE MADE MANY REQUESTS FOR PUBLIC
9 DOCUMENTS. IT ALWAYS TAKES LONGER THAN THE LAW SAYS IT SHOULD,
10 10 WORKING DAYS. OVER AT THE CITY, BEFORE THEY THROW OUT ALL
11 THEIR DOCUMENTS, THEY LET US GO THROUGH THE BOXES, THE
12 CARDBOARD BOXES WHICH WE OCCASIONALLY HIT PAY DIRT. BUT THE
13 COUNTY DOESN'T DO A BAD JOB EXCEPT FOR OF COURSE THE COUNTY
14 COUNSEL AND ESPECIALLY AT M.T.A. THEY'RE VERY, VERY ARROGANT.
15 THEY DON'T ANSWER ANYTHING. BUT THEN AGAIN, MIKE FEUER IS
16 ALMOST AS BAD AS THE COUNTY COUNSEL. I FIND THAT THOSE WHO ARE
17 ACTUALLY IN THE OTHER NON REALLY HEAVILY POLITICAL CATEGORY OF
18 BUREAUCRATS HERE DO A PRETTY GOOD JOB. I DON'T NEED THE 2
19 MINUTES. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. AND NICOLE HAS LEFT. SO
22 SHE'S NO LONGER IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. SO MOTION WITH
23 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
24 ORDERED. WE WILL NOW GO ON NUMBER 4, MR. MAIZLISH. NUMBER 4,
25 DR. CLAVREUL. ERIC PREVEN. 1-P, 2-P, 1, 4, 14, 23, 31, 32, 44-

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1 C, C.S.-1, C.S.-4 ARNOLD SACHS 1-P, 2-P, 4, 13, 20 21, 31, 41.

2 AND JULIE LAPPIN. 44-C. JOSEPH?

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4 **JOSEPH MAIZLISH:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON. ABOUT THIS NUMBER 4, I
5 APPRECIATE VERY MUCH THIS MOVE, SUPERVISOR KNABE, AND THE REST
6 OF YOU, FOR WHOEVER WOULD SUPPORT THIS FOR GOING A LITTLE
7 DEEPER INTO WHAT ACTUALLY IS BEING ACCOMPLISHED. YOU MAY
8 REMEMBER SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY OR SOME OF YOU MAY REMEMBER
9 HIM QUOTING COACH WOODEN SAYING, TO DIFFERENTIATE IT IS
10 IMPORTANT, TO DIFFERENTIATE BETWEEN ACTIVITY AND ACHIEVEMENT.
11 THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE DOING HERE. I WANT TO SAY THAT IT'S EVEN
12 BETTER THAN IT LOOKS, THIS MOTION FOR RECORDING OUTCOMES. AND
13 THAT IS LOOK THE DEPARTMENTS AND EVERY PROJECT AND PROGRAM
14 WILL HAVE TO DESCRIBE WHAT ITS DESIRED OUTCOMES ARE. AND THAT
15 PROCESS IS VERY GOOD FOR ADMINISTRATORS AND PEOPLE WHO WILL BE
16 CARRYING PROGRAMS OUT TO GO THROUGH. THEY WILL THEN HAVE IN
17 MIND WHAT THEY WANT THE EFFECT OF THE SERVICE DELIVERY TO BE.
18 AND THEY'LL DESCRIBE IT IN THAT WAY. SO IT'S IMPORTANT NOT
19 ONLY THAT IT BE MEASURED, BUT THAT THE PEOPLE WHO ARE CARRYING
20 IT OUT HAVE A VERY CLEAR CONCEPT OF JUST EXACTLY WHAT IS
21 SUPPOSED TO HAPPEN, KEEP THAT WITH THEM AS THEY DO THE WORK.
22 SO IN THAT SENSE, IT WILL IMPROVE THE PROCESS OF DESCRIBING
23 OUTCOMES WILL ITSELF NOT ONLY HELP YOU MEASURE BUT IT WILL
24 ACTUALLY HELP IMPROVE THE OUTCOMES. YOU MADE A START ON THIS
25 LAST WEEK WITH THE MOTION, THANK YOU MAYOR ANTONOVICH,

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1 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, ON CLARIFYING AND EXPANDING THE ELIGIBILITY
2 OF PEOPLE FOR SERVICES, VARIOUS RELEASE SERVICES, PROBATION
3 SERVICES IN USING THE TERMS. THE PURPOSE OF THIS IS TO-- FOR
4 PUBLIC SAFETY TO IMPROVE PUBLIC SAFETY AND TO IMPROVE PEOPLE'S
5 LIVES TAKEN TOGETHER, NOT JUST THE AVOIDING THE NEGATIVE OF
6 HARM TO THE PUBLIC BUT ACTUALLY IMPROVING, WELL EVERYBODY'S
7 LIFE. AND THAT KIND OF DESCRIPTION OF AN OUTCOME, OF COURSE,
8 NEEDS MUCH MORE DETAILED ELABORATION. BUT I THINK THAT PROCESS
9 IS VERY IMPORTANT FOR US TO GET THE MOST OUT OF THE COUNTY'S
10 EFFORTS. ONE MORE THING THOUGH TO ADD TO THIS, THIS REALLY
11 SHOULD APPLY TO ALL PROGRAMS, ALL OF THE DEPARTMENTS,
12 INCLUDING SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING CUSTODY, PATROL,
13 EVERYTHING ELSE. AND I THINK THIS PROCESS OF THINKING OVER AND
14 DESCRIBING AND KEEPING IN MIND THE DESIRED OUTCOMES.
15 SUPERVISOR KUEHL EARLIER TODAY SAID THAT EACH INDIVIDUAL IS A
16 SYSTEM. I REMEMBER I WROTE THAT QUOTE DOWN WHEN YOU WERE
17 TALKING. I FORGET WHICH ISSUE IT WAS. LOOK AT EACH
18 INDIVIDUAL'S LIFE AS A SYSTEM. AND ALSO THIS MORNING'S TALK
19 ABOUT HOUSING AND HOW MUCH IS NEEDED THAT'S BEYOND THE CURRENT
20 CAPABILITIES. LET'S GET THE MOST OUT OF THE CAPABILITIES AND
21 GET SOME MORE SUPPORT. BUT ALWAYS WITH THE IDEA OF WHAT ARE
22 THE OUTCOMES FOR PEOPLE'S LIVES AND FOR OUR LIFE TOGETHER AS A
23 COMMUNITY? SO I THINK THIS MOTION CAN DO AN AWFUL LOT MORE IF
24 WE PURSUE IT AND KEEP IT IN MIND.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. PREVEN.

2

3 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S MR. PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
4 DISTRICT 3. I WOULD CONCUR WITH MR. MAIZLISH THAT IT'S REALLY
5 IMPORTANT TO BE ABLE TO GLEAN VALUABLE INFORMATION FROM DATA
6 SO THAT WE DON'T CONTINUE TO REPEAT THE SAME MISTAKES, WHICH
7 OF COURSE IN THE CONTEXT OF RECIDIVISM IN OUR PUBLIC SAFETY
8 AND THE JUSTICE SYSTEM, WE HAVE BEEN GRAPPLING WITH A LOT. AND
9 OF COURSE NOW WE LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR HOMELESS POPULATION. WE
10 LEARN THAT AT A MEETING THIS MORNING THAT WAS CURIOUSLY
11 AGENDIZED IN A WAY THAT MADE NO SENSE TO ME AND I AM SKILLED
12 AT DEALING WITH THIS GROUP. SO THAT IS PUZZLING AND WORRISOME.
13 I MEAN, THAT SHOULD BE A CONVERSATION THAT'S HAD OUT IN THE
14 OPEN, NOT IN THE BASEMENT WITH THE MAYOR AND OTHER ELECTED
15 OFFICIALS. IT'S REALLY DISTASTEFUL. THAT WAS KIND OF LIKE
16 INVITATION-ONLY. THERE'S A PILE OF FOOD. AND THEN IT WAS ALL
17 LEFT THERE. I HOPE THE FOOD WAS BROUGHT TO THE HOMELESS
18 POPULATION FOR WHOM WE WERE MEETING TO TRY TO BRING SOME
19 SOLUTIONS THAT ARE MORE EFFECTIVE. ITEM NO. 23 TODAY IS A
20 WATER SEEDING PROGRAM. WATER SEEDING? IS THAT RIGHT? OR CLOUD
21 SEEDING? THIS IS OLD TECHNOLOGY. I WAS STATIONED, SIR, IN THE
22 SOVIET UNION, IT WASN'T THE SOVIET UNION, BUT THEY WERE DOING
23 THIS IN RUSSIA FOR A WHILE WHERE THEY PUT SILVER SOMETHING OR
24 OTHER INTO THE SKY AND DOWN COMES THE RAIN THE SMALL WRINKLE
25 IS, SO DOES THE SILVER. I AM NOT AN ENVIRONMENTALIST BUT I

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1 WOULD REALLY ASK YOU TO TAKE A LONG HARD LOOK AT THIS PROGRAM
2 BECAUSE THIS IS NOT THE SOLUTION TO OUR DROUGHT, SIR. THEY
3 HAVE LOOKED AT THIS SINCE THE '50S. THIS IS A COOKIE
4 TECHNOLOGY IF I MAY. BUT I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT IT, SO
5 PREFACE THAT. MISS KUEHL, THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST TODAY.
6 ITEM NO. 1 IS SARAH DUSSEAUTL BEING APPOINTED BY HILDA SOLIS.
7 THIS IS SHRIVER'S FORMER TOPPER. SHE WAS THE CAMPAIGN MANAGER,
8 ONE OF THEM, FOR BOBBY SHRIVER. SO THIS IS A NICE PERSON TO GO
9 ON THE HOMELESS COUNCIL. MR. SHRIVER, AS YOU RECALL, WAS
10 STRUGGLING WITH THE HEIGHT OF HIS HEDGES. HE'S A GOOD MAN.
11 HE'S DONE A LOT FOR THE HOMELESS AND THE VETERANS. DUSSEAUTL
12 IS NOT A BAD EGG. I LIKE HER, ACTUALLY, SHE IS VERY SMART.
13 WORKS FOR DAVID RUINO OVER AT THE CITY. I'M NOT SURE IT
14 QUALFIES AS FRESH EYES BUT A GOOD CHOICE. ITEM NO. 10, I THINK
15 THAT'S WHY SUPERVISOR KUEHL LEFT, IS THE JOHN ANSON FORD. HERE
16 WE HAVE SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. THERE WAS A GREAT "NEW
17 YORKER" CARTOON THIS WEEK. IT SAID "WOMAN SAYS TO MAN AT A
18 COCKTAIL PARTY, WE'RE DOING AMAZING WORK BRINGING ARTS TO
19 PEOPLE WHO DON'T WANT THE ARTS." THAT WOULD BE ONE OF OUR
20 TASKS HERE AT THE COUNTY, WHICH IS TO TRY TO ENLIVEN THE
21 DISCUSSION AND THE DEBATE. AND BY POURING ENDLESS AMOUNTS OF
22 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT INTO THE JOHN ANSON FORD THEATER, WE'RE
23 NOT DOING A GOOD JOB OF THAT. WE CAN STIMULATE THINGS MORE
24 EFFECTIVELY BY DISPERSING THAT MONEY MORE EFFECTIVELY. I THINK
25 WE'VE DISAGREED ON THAT A LOT. AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL KEEPS

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1 PUTTING THE PEDAL TO THE METAL. AND BY THE WAY, LAURA ZUCKER
2 IS NOT EXCLUSIVELY A DONATOR. SHE ALSO GAVE RECENTLY TO THE
3 GREAT SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, \$500 TO HIS CAMPAIGN. BY THE
4 WAY WE'RE OPEN FOR BUSINESS AT THE SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
5 THOMAS CAMPAIGN, JUST F.YI. I AM NOT OPEN FOR BUSINESS BUT
6 THEY ARE OPEN FOR BUSINESS OVER THERE. ITEM S-1, SO YOU CANCEL
7 IT AGAIN. THIS WORRIES ME, BECAUSE THIS IS THE--

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YES, MA'AM.

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11 **JULIE LAPPIN:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JULIE LAPPIN.
12 I'M THE DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENTAL AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AT CAL
13 POLY POMONA. WE THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR BRINGING THIS
14 MOTION. WE SUPPORT THIS MOTION AND RESPECTFULLY REQUEST ITS
15 APPROVAL BY THE REST OF THE BOARD. A.R.B.'S EXISTING MOTOR
16 VEHICLES AND ENGINE AND EMISSIONS TESTING AND RESEARCH
17 FACILITIES ARE LOCATED IN EL MONTE AND EMPLOY APPROXIMATELY
18 400 EMPLOYEES. THEIR EDUCATED WORKFORCE IS COMPOSED OF
19 ENGINEERS, SCIENTISTS, TECHNICIANS, MATHEMATICIANS ET CETERA,
20 FIELDS THAT OUR INSTITUTE AND OTHERS IN OUR REGION ARE VERY
21 QUALIFIED TO TRAIN FOR AND DO. SINCE 2006, A.R.B. IS
22 CONSIDERED A CONSOLIDATION PROJECT TO RELOCATE THE SOUTHERN
23 CALIFORNIA OPERATIONS AND BUILD A NEW REPLACEMENT FACILITY.
24 TOTAL COSTS OF A.R.B.'S PROPOSED PROJECT, INCLUDING RELOCATION
25 AND CONSTRUCTION, IS ESTIMATED TO BE OVER \$365 MILLION. IN

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1 COOPERATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES, A.R.B. IS
2 CURRENTLY EVALUATING POTENTIAL SITES IN POMONA AND RIVERSIDE
3 FOR THE RELOCATION THE POMONA SITE IS LOCATED ON CAL POLY'S
4 PROPERTY AT THE INNOVATION TO CAMPUS SOUTH. APPROXIMATELY 150
5 ACRES OF LAND ADJACENT TO THE FORMER LANTERMAN DEVELOPMENT
6 CENTER. CAL POLY POMONA WANTS A.R.B. ON OUR CAMPUS. OUR
7 POLYTECHNIC APPROACH AND LEARN BY DOING PHILOSOPHY MAKES US AN
8 IDEAL VENUE FOR THE RELOCATION OF THE FACILITIES. IT WOULD
9 EXPAND CAL POLY'S OFFERINGS TO OUR STUDENTS THROUGH
10 INTERNSHIPS AND WORK STUDY OPPORTUNITIES IN REAL WORLD
11 APPLICATIONS FOR A.R.B. ADDITIONALLY OUR FACULTY AND A.R.B.
12 STAFF WOULD BE ABLE TO ENGAGE IN JOINT COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH
13 PROJECTS AND A.R.B. WOULD HAVE EXPERTISE OF OUR
14 MULTIDISCIPLINARY FACULTY AND STAFF TO TAP INTO. CAL POLY
15 ENVISIONS THESE OPPORTUNITIES TO NOT JUST BENEFIT OUR CAMPUS
16 BUT BE OFFERED TO OTHER INSTITUTES HIGHER EDUCATION IN L.A.
17 COUNTY INCLUDING COMMUNITY COLLEGES, OTHER C.S.U. CAMPUSES,
18 AND P.H.D. GRANTING INSTITUTIONS AS WELL. TALK ABOUT WORKFORCE
19 DEVELOPMENT FOR OUR REGION. AND THE LIST OF BENEFITS CONTINUE.
20 IN SELECTING OUR CAMPUS, A.R.B. WILL REMAIN IN L.A. COUNTY
21 CLOSE TO THEIR EXISTING FACILITIES AND OUR AREA WILL NOT LOSE
22 400 HIGH-PAYING JOBS. FURTHERMORE AS PART OF THEIR THE
23 C.S.U.'S M.O.U. OF THE GOVERNOR FOR THE ACQUISITION OF THE
24 FORMER LANTERMAN DEVELOPMENT CENTER. WE ARE REQUIRED TO
25 ACCOMMODATE THE REAL PROPERTY NEEDS OF A.R.B. TO BUILD THEIR

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1 CONSOLIDATION PROJECT. FOR THESE REASONS WE ASK THE L.A.
2 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO AGREE TO SIGN THIS FIVE MEMBER
3 MOTION FOR THE SUPPORT OF A.R.B. TO STAY IN OUR GREAT COUNTY.
4 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. SACHS.

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8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
9 AND I DID HOLD SEVERAL ITEMS. I HAVE 1-P AND 2-P AGAIN. I
10 REFER BACK TO AN ARTICLE THAT WAS IN THE L.A. TIMES REGARDING
11 PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS AND A MILLION PROPERTIES BETWEEN THE CITY
12 OF LOS ANGELES AND LONG BEACH. AND BASED ON YOUR 1996 PARK
13 PROPOSITION, THAT WOULD BE \$23 MILLION, OR IS IT '92? IS IT
14 \$23 AND THEN '96 IS THE 56? SO BETWEEN THOSE TWO PROPOSITIONS
15 YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT LIKE \$89 MILLION AND THESE TWO ITEMS
16 REFER TO-- IN JUST THOSE TWO CITIES, BY THE WAY-- REFER TO
17 LIKE \$6 MILLION. BUT ITEM 1-P NOT ONLY REFERS TO \$3.5 MILLION
18 BUT IT STATES THAT THE MONEY WAS AUTHORIZED FOR THE NORWALK
19 GOLF COURSE WHICH IS PART OF THE PARKS PROPOSITION, I GUESS.
20 AND NOW IT'S BEING TRANSFERRED TO THE PROJECT FOR THE NATIVE
21 OAKS TRAILS IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS. WELL THAT DOESN'T MEET THE
22 REQUIREMENTS THAT IT WAS SUPPOSED TO MEET FOR THE FIRST PART
23 OF THE PROJECT REQUEST. SO HOW CAN IT BE TRANSFERRED TO
24 SOMEPLACE ELSE. YOU EVEN WRITE DOWN HERE IT DOESN'T MEET THE
25 GUIDELINES IN THE PROCEDURAL GUIDE FOR SPECIFIED PER PARCEL

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1 AND EXCESS FUND PROJECTS, THEN THIS FUND SHOULD REMAIN IN THE
2 EXCESS FUNDS ACCOUNT. SO IF YOU'RE NOT USING IT FOR THE GOLF
3 COURSE HOW DOES IT GET TRANSFERRED SOMEPLACE ELSE? MUST BE
4 PART OF THE OPEN DATA YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT. OPEN DATA IS NOT
5 NECESSARILY FACTUAL DATA. I HELD ITEM 4, 13 AND 41, ACTUALLY,
6 THIS DEPARTMENT'S HEADS REPORT BACK ON THE EFFECTIVENESS OF
7 THE PROGRAM. WHATEVER HAPPENED TO EMPLOYEE REVIEWS? AND THEN
8 YOU GO AHEAD AND RECLASSIFY EMPLOYEES' CHANGE IN PAY GRADES.
9 HOW DO YOU KIND OF BALANCE OUT THOSE TWO ACTS WHERE YOU'RE
10 LOOKING FOR MORE EFFECTIVE RESULTS FROM YOUR EMPLOYEES AND
11 YOUR DEPARTMENTS BUT YOU HAVE GOT TO CONSTANTLY, CONSTANTLY
12 HAVE CHANGE IN PAY GRADES? EVERY OTHER MONTH IS A
13 RECLASSIFICATION. I HELD ITEM 16 AGAIN. WE HAD THAT ON THE
14 LAST WEEK AGENDA. THE MEDICAL SCHOOL AFFILIATION AGREEMENT.
15 SOMEBODY'S PAYING FOR SERVICES PROVIDED. U.S.C. IS GETTING
16 OVER \$140 MILLION. DO YOU HAVE THE SAME KIND OF PACT WITH
17 U.C.L.A. FOR HARBOR-U.C.L.A.? AND IT'S BEGINNING ON 7/1/15.
18 WHEN DOES IT END? WHEN DOES THIS CONTRACT END? PROPS, NUMBERS
19 20 AND 22 REFER TO PROP C LOCAL SALES TAX FOR SIGNALIZATION.
20 AND HIGHWAY THROUGH CITY FUNDS IS THAT PART OF PROP C? AND
21 JUST THINK AGAIN, DATA. IF THAT WAS LIKE REAL MEASURE R, YOU'D
22 HAVE DOUBLE THE FUNDING.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

25

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YOU LIED ABOUT IT.

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY.

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5 **AVIANNA URIBE, ACTING ASS'T. EXEC. OFCR.:** ITEMS 1-P, 2-P, 1,
6 4, 13, 14, 20, 21, 23, 31, 32, 41, 44-C AND 44-D ARE BEFORE
7 YOU.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY KNABE. SECOND WITHOUT
10 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR KUEHL, YOU HAVE
11 ADJOURNMENTS? SPECIALS?

12

13 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
14 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF GINO ENRICO ZENI, 12-
15 YEAR VETERAN FIREFIGHTER IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE
16 DEPARTMENT. ASSIGNED TO FIRE STATION 125-A, BATTALION 5 IN
17 CALABASAS WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AFTER SUFFERING A FATAL
18 HEART ATTACK AT THE AGE OF 49 IN HIS VENTURA HOME. RICK, AS HE
19 WAS AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN, SERVED WITH COURAGE AND DEDICATION
20 AND HIS PASSING IS A TREMENDOUS LOSS TO HIS FIRE FIGHTING
21 COLLEAGUES AND TO THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHOM HE WAS
22 SWORN TO PROTECT. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE SANDRA, TWO YOUNG
23 SONS AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS AS WELL AS HIS BROTHERS AND
24 SISTERS IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT. THANK YOU.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALL MEMBERS. SECONDED WITHOUT
2 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR KNABE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I MOVE THAT WE MOVE IN
5 MEMORY SUSAN HAFEN, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 70 FROM
6 COMPLICATIONS FROM LUNG CANCER ON OCTOBER 13. SUSAN WAS
7 DEFINED BY HER LOVING AND CARING PERSONALITY, WHICH IS
8 EVIDENCED BY THE LARGE NETWORK OF FRIENDS AND FAMILY SHE
9 LEAVES BEHIND. SHE WAS AN AVID DUPLICATE BRIDGE PLAYER, LOVED
10 TRAVELING TO TOURNAMENTS. AND SHE WAS A PROUD LONG BEACH POLY
11 GRAD, VALUED EDUCATION ABOVE ALL ELSE HAVING TAUGHT MIDDLE AND
12 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN THE PARAMOUNT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
13 FOR SOME 26 YEARS, RETIRING IN 1995 TO SPEND MORE TIME WITH
14 HER FAMILY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND KEITH, SON AND
15 DAUGHTER-IN-LAW CHRIS AND KELSEY. DAUGHTER STEPHANIE AND
16 BROTHER ED. SHE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW HER. SPECIAL
17 LADY.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
20 I'D LIKE TO MOVE TODAY THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MARILYN
21 BURKE. MARILYN IS THE MOTHER-IN-LAW TO MY STAFF ASSISTANT TO
22 JULIANA BURKE, WHO PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER 16TH. SHE HAD WORKED
23 FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR RISK MANAGER AND SAFETY
24 OFFICER FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES AND DIRECTOR OF SCHOOL-
25 LINKED PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAMS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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1 SERVICES. SHE SERVED AS A COURT-APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATE FOR
2 FOSTER CHILDREN, CHAIRED THE CHILD AND ADOLESCENT HEALTH
3 DEMONSTRATION PROJECT, HELPING KEEP CHILDREN IN SCHOOL BY
4 IMPROVING HEALTHCARE AT OUR SCHOOL SITES. SHE IS SURVIVED BY
5 HER BROTHER, ROD, HER SON KEVIN, AND HER DAUGHTER-IN-LAW
6 JUDEANA. GOOD FRIEND. I KNOW THAT SUPERVISOR KUEHL SERVED WITH
7 AND SO DID SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. I'M NOT SURE ABOUT
8 HILDA SOLIS. BUT JAY DEE MICHAEL PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 76.
9 HE HAD SERVED AS THE CITY MANAGER OF CLAREMONT, VICE PRESIDENT
10 OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SYSTEM, LECTURER AT U.C. DAVIS
11 AND HAD A DISTINGUISHED CAREER AS HEALTHCARE INDUSTRY,
12 INCLUDING CHIEF LOBBYIST WITH THE CALIFORNIA MEDICAL
13 ASSOCIATION FOR 16 YEARS AND C.E.O. OF CALIFORNIANS ALLIED FOR
14 PATIENT PROTECTION. HE LATER SERVED AS A POLITICAL CONSULTANT
15 FOR THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES, WAS A PRINCIPAL CO-AUTHOR
16 OF THE BOOK "THE THIRD HOUSE: LOBBYISIST MONEY AND POWER IN
17 SACRAMENTO," WHICH HAS BEEN PRESERVED BY THE LIBRARY OF
18 CONGRESS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE CLAIRE AND THEIR THREE
19 CHILDREN AND TWO SISTERS AND FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. HE WAS A VERY
20 PROFESSIONAL, VERY RESPONSIBLE VOICE FOR THE MEDICAL
21 PROFESSION, TESTIFYING BEFORE COMMITTEES AND TESTIFYING BEFORE
22 THE LEGISLATURE. HE WAS A CLASSY MAN. ELIZABETH "BETTE" ANN
23 COOK ALEXANDER, RESIDENT SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. PASSED AWAY AT
24 THE AGE OF 77. SHE WAS WITH THE SAUGUS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
25 FOR THE PAST 24 YEARS AND VOLUNTEERED WITH THE CITY OF HOPE,

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1 T.O.P.S., GRANDMA'S CLUB, BOY SCOUTS AND GIRL SCOUTS. SHE IS
2 SURVIVED BY HER FOUR CHILDREN. DEPUTY BRANDON ARCE, DEPUTY LOS
3 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF, TRAGICALLY KILLED IN A TRAFFIC
4 ACCIDENT GOING HOME AT THE AGE OF 31. SWORN IN AS A DEPUTY IN
5 2008, WAS FIRST ASSIGNED TO THE PITCHESS DETENTION CENTER EAST
6 FACILITY. THEN THE COURT SERVICES DIVISION. HIS LAST
7 ASSIGNMENT WAS AT THE NORTH COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY IN
8 CASTAIC. RESIDENT OF LANCASTER. SURVIVED BY HIS PARENTS, TWO
9 BROTHERS AND FIANCE. DENNIS DYNES, VICE PRESIDENT OF SALES AT
10 MODERN AGE PHOTO SERVICES, PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER 15TH. ACTIVE
11 MEMBER OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF LOS ANGELES. SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE
12 YVONNE. ROBERT PAUL SHEDD. RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA. PASSED
13 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 102. HE HAD WORKED FOR THE LOS ANGELES
14 COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR, ACTIVE IN THE PANORAMA CITY CONGREGATION
15 OF THE REORGANIZED LATTER DAY SAINTS WHERE HE SERVED MANY
16 YEARS AS AN ELDER. SURVIVED BY HIS TWO SONS AND HIS BROTHER.
17 GINO ZENI. WE HAD JUST ADJOURNED IN HIS MEMORY. MICHAEL "MIKE"
18 ERIC VOLDING, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA. PASSED AWAY
19 AT THE AGE OF 51. OWNER OF THE CALIFORNIA PAYMENT SERVICES AND
20 HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND THEIR FOUR CHILDREN. HERMAN
21 "HANK" FUHRMAN. PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 92. HE COMPLETED 40
22 MISSIONS AS A FLIGHT ENGINEER AND WAIST GUNNER ON A B-24
23 LIBERATOR DURING WORLD WAR II BEFORE WORKING IN THE SPEEDBOAT
24 INDUSTRY AS A WAREHOUSE SUPERVISOR AND HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS
25 WIFE RUTH. BARBARA NYBERG OF PASADENA. ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE

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1 LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS. VOLUNTEER DOCENT AT THE GAMBLE HOUSE,
2 PACIFIC ASIA MUSEUM, AND NORTON SIMON MUSEUM OF ART IN
3 PASADENA. SURVIVED BY HER FOUR CHILDREN, EIGHT GRANDCHILDREN
4 AND FIVE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. JOAN CALDWELL, ACTRESS MOST
5 FAMOUS FOR "YANKEE DOODLE DANDY," PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER 12TH
6 AT THE AGE OF 90. IN THE '40S SHE HAD STARRED IN "HIGH SIERRA"
7 AND "SERGEANT YORK." RETIRING FROM THE MOTION PICTURE
8 INDUSTRY, SHE APPEARED IN COMMERCIALS AND TELEVISION SHOWS
9 LIKE "THE INCREDIBLE HULK," "POLICE STORY" AND "CHARLIE'S
10 ANGELS". SHE WAS INVOLVED IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PUBLIC
11 LIBRARY AFTER-SCHOOL READING PROGRAM AND THE ADVISORY BOARD OF
12 THE DAMON RUNYAN CANCER FUND AND ALSO AT THE ST. ANNE'S
13 CHILDREN'S FACILITY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTERS PATRICIA
14 AND ELLEN AND HER SISTER. RONALD BARE, RESIDENT OF ALHAMBRA,
15 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 76. WAS A MEMBER OF THE UNITED
16 STATES MARINE CORPS AND THEN BECAME A LOS ANGELES POLICE
17 OFFICER FOR 20 YEARS AFTER RETIRING IN 1982 WITH THE RANK OF
18 DETECTIVE IN THE ROBBERY HOMICIDE DEPARTMENT. HE IS SURVIVED
19 BY HIS WIFE AND TWO CHILDREN AND FIVE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN.
20 LEROY TOLMAN. PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 84. HE WAS A
21 CARTOGRAPHER AT REPLOGLE, DEALING WITH CIVIC LEADERS, CHANGING
22 POLITICAL REGIMES AND SHIFTING BORDERS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
23 WIFE AND SON. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS.
24 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN
2 TODAY IN MEMORY OF JUANA HERNANDEZ. MISS HERNANDEZ BORN ON
3 JUNE 25, 1956 IN MEXICO CITY MEXICO, PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER
4 12TH THIS YEAR AT THE AGE OF 59. SHE MOVED TO LOS ANGELES
5 COUNTY IN 1969 WHERE SHE GRADUATED FROM EL MONTE HIGH SCHOOL.
6 SHE ATTENDED RIO HONDO COLLEGE AND SERVED THE PUBLIC FOR 29
7 YEARS AT THE CITY OF AZUSA. SHE WAS KNOWN TO ENJOY LEARNING,
8 GOING TO THE MOVIES, STAYED ACTIVE THROUGH HER HOBBY OF YOGA.
9 SHE LOVED SPENDING TIME WITH HER TWO GRAND DAUGHTERS, ALANNI
10 AND RAHEL. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER DEDICATION TO THE
11 COMMUNITY OF AZUSA AND SHOWN THROUGH HER LONG COMMITMENT IN
12 CIVIC SERVICE. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTERS VERONICA,
13 LORENA AND HER GRANDDAUGHTERS AND A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY
14 MEMBERS. MAY SHE REST IN PEACE. SECONDLY I MOVE THAT WE
15 ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF VALDINA MARQUEZ. ON OCTOBER 15TH
16 JUST AFTER SUNSET, VALDINA GUEVARA MARQUEZ PASSED AWAY AFTER A
17 LENGTHY, FEROCIOUS BATTLE AGAINST CANCER. SHE WAS 68 YEARS OLD
18 AND A CLASSIC BABY BOOMER. A BLEEDING HEART AND A CRITICAL
19 THINKER WHO APPRECIATED PEOPLE WITH GUTS AND VISION, WHO NEVER
20 STOPPED BELIEVING A BETTER WORLD WAS POSSIBLE IF WE WERE
21 WILLING TO WORK TO MAKE IT THAT WAY. SHE WAS A WONDERFUL
22 WRITER, A GREAT COOK, A SWEET LADY WITH LIMITLESS PATIENCE.
23 SHE GAVE EVERYTHING TO HER FAMILY, ESPECIALLY HER KIDS BUT SHE
24 ALSO WAS WORLDLY. SHE LOVED LITERATURE AND BEAUTY. BUT THESE
25 WORDS DON'T COME CLOSE TO CAPTURING HOW SPECIAL SHE WAS. SHE

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1 WAS TAKEN TOO SOON. SHE RAISED HER FAMILY, MARRIED TO THE MAN
2 SHE LOVED EVER SINCE MEETING HIM IN KINDERGARTEN AT WILSON
3 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN EL SERENO. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND
4 SAM AND HER DAUGHTERS RAQUEL AND ROXANE, A FORMER FIRST
5 DISTRICT STAFFER AND CURRENT LIBRARY COUNTY EMPLOYEE, AS WELL
6 AS HER SON ERIC AND HER GRANDDAUGHTER KATERINA.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION. SO ORDERED.
9 PUBLIC COMMENT? OH BEFORE WE DO THAT, THOUGH, WE HAVE TO HEAR
10 FROM THE FIRST. WE HEARD FROM NOW THE SECOND SUPERVISORIAL
11 DISTRICT.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. WOULD YOU JOIN ME IN
14 ADJOURNING IN MEMORY OF JACQUELINE SARAH DAVIS HICKMAN. SHE
15 WAS BORN ON DECEMBER THE 29TH, 1927 AND SHE PASSED ON OCTOBER
16 THE 10TH AT THE AGE OF 88. SHE ATTENDED THE UNIVERSITY OF
17 CALIFORNIA BERKELEY AND GRADUATED FROM U.C.L.A. EARNING A
18 BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN MATHEMATICS AND PLEDGED ALPHA
19 KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY. SHE WAS A TEACHER WITH THE LOS ANGELES
20 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR AT- RISK STUDENTS AT DAVID STAR
21 JORDAN SKILLS CENTER AND GARDENA SKILLS CENTER. LISTENING TO
22 THE MEMBERS OF HER COMMUNITY, SHE WAS INSPIRED TO BECOME AN
23 ADVOCATE FOR THE WELFARE MOTHER'S MOVEMENT WHERE SHE SERVED TO
24 RAISE AWARENESS FOR IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN LOS
25 ANGELES. THROUGH HER WORK IN THE COMMUNITY, SHE ENGAGED WITH

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1 CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERS, INCLUDING DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
2 AND PRESIDENT NELSON MANDELA AND LED NUMEROUS MARCHES
3 DEMANDING EQUALITY AND CIVIL RIGHTS FOR MINORITIES AND WOMEN.
4 MISS HICKMAN WORKED FOR THE OFFICE OF COUNCILMEMBER ROBERT
5 FARRELL, WHO REPRESENTED THE EIGHTH DISTRICT IN LOS ANGELES
6 AND HE ADDRESSED THE ISSUE OF FOOD ACCESS IN COMMUNITIES OF
7 COLOR AND WHERE SHE WAS PROMOTED TO HOUSING AND BLOCK GRANT
8 COORDINATOR WHERE SHE WORKED TO EXPAND ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE
9 AND INTEGRATED HOUSING IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. SHE RAN FOR
10 CITY COUNCIL, AND WHILE NOT SUCCESSFUL, THE CAMPAIGN LED HER
11 TO BECOMING AN ACTIVE MEMBER THROUGHOUT HER COMMUNITY AND
12 BECAME A MEMBER AND LEADER OF SEVERAL ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING
13 BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S FOUNDATION, THE LULLABY
14 GUILD, THE BLACK AGENDA, THE BLACK WOMEN'S FORUM, AND THE
15 FOUNDATION FOR THE JUNIOR BLIND. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED AS AN
16 EFFECTIVE AND INSPIRATIONAL ADVOCATE, FOR LEADERSHIP IN
17 HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER
18 THREE CHILDREN, HEATHER, INGRID AND JAMES. GRANDCHILDREN,
19 HAMILTON, HARRISON, HUGH, JULIAN, HAILEY AND A HOST OF FAMILY
20 FRIENDS AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY WHO WILL MOST ASSUREDLY
21 MISS HER. LET ME ASK THAT WE ALSO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DOROTHY
22 DELL MORRISON GORDON. SHE WAS BORN IN 1926, APRIL 5 IN THE
23 GREAT STATE OF TEXAS, MEJILLA, TEXAS, TO BE PRECISE. SHE
24 PASSED ON OCTOBER 9TH AT THE AGE OF 89. AFTER GRADUATING FROM
25 FREEMONT HIGH SCHOOL, SHE EARNED DISTINCTION AS THE FIRST

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1 AFRICAN-AMERICAN WOMAN TO BE HIRED AS A CLERK IN THE FORT
2 WORTH COURTHOUSE. SHE LOCATED WITH HER FAMILY TO LOS ANGELES
3 IN 1955 AND CONTINUED HER PURSUIT OF HIGHER EDUCATION AT CAL
4 STATE UNIVERSITY DOMINGUEZ HILLS AND EARNED BOTH HER
5 BACHELOR'S AND MASTER'S DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY. IN 1960 SHE
6 WORKED AS A NURSE WHAT WAS THEN KNOWN AS THE COUNTY GENERAL
7 HOSPITAL. APPEARED ON LOCAL TELEVISION SHOWS, FOCUS ONE
8 EXAMPLE AND OPERATED A SOUL FOOD RESTAURANT IN L.A.. FOLLOWING
9 THE WATTS RIOTS SHE MET THE MCCONE COMMISSION TO DISCUSS THE
10 PROBLEMS THAT PLAGUED NOT ONLY THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY
11 INCLUDING THE ISSUE OF POVERTY, THE LACK OF JOBS AND RECURRING
12 VIOLENCE. MS. MORRISON GORDON WORKED DILIGENTLY THROUGH HER
13 ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMUNITY, INCLUDING ESTABLISHING
14 A TUTORIAL SERVICE THAT DEVELOPED INTO AN EDUCATIONAL LEARNING
15 CENTER, APPLIED BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE INSTITUTE WHICH SHE OWNED
16 AND OPERATED FOR OVER TWO DECADES. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR
17 HER UNWAVERING FAITH, STRONG BELIEF IN PUBLIC SERVICE AND
18 COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND FOR HER LOVE OF SPENDING TIME WITH
19 HER FAMILY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN, DOROTHY, GLORIA,
20 CAROLYN AND ANGELA, 12 GRANDCHILDREN INCLUDING SENATOR ISADORA
21 HALL AND A HOST OF FAMILY MEMBERS, FRIENDS AND COMMUNITY
22 MEMBERS WHO WILL SURELY MISS HER. ALL MEMBERS, PLEASE.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
25 WE HAD JUST HAD A REPORT ABOUT A DEATH IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY

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1 FROM THE WEST NILE VIRUS WHICH IS A REPORT THAT WE'VE HAD 93
2 HUMAN CASES THIS YEAR WITH 6 FATALITIES. IF WE COULD HAVE A
3 REPORT NEXT WEEK BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH RELATIVE
4 TO THE WEST NILE VIRUS IN THE COUNTY. WITHOUT OBJECTION ON
5 THAT. OKAY. PUBLIC COMMENT IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY IS FRAN
6 SERESERES. GOING TO ANTELOPE VALLEY NOW AND THEN STENSON
7 DOLAN. JIMMY LIZAMA. DAVID ROSS. ERIC PREVEN. ANTELOPE VALLEY.
8 YES, MA'AM? YOU'RE ON.

9

10 **FRAN SERESERES:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND COUNTY
11 SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR LISTENING TO ME. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
12 ASSISTANCE-- ASSISTING US IN THE CITY OF LANCASTER AREA AND
13 YOUR PROACTIVENESS AND YOUR STAFF IN THE SPEEDY PROGRESS OF
14 BUILDING OUR NEAR NEW LANCASTER SENIOR CENTER PRETTY SOON.
15 SINCE EL NI O IS COMING AND HEARING YOUR CONCERNS FOR THE
16 HOMELESS AND WORKING IN THE CITY OF LANCASTER, SO THIS MEANS
17 THAT THE HIGH DESERT MEDICAL BUILDING ON WEST AVENUE 69 WILL
18 BE OPENING SOON?

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES.

21

22 **FRAN SERESES:** IN NOVEMBER OF 2014 AT THE METROLINK STATION, WE
23 HAD A PRESS CONFERENCE WITH THE METROLINK AND THE L.A. COUNTY
24 PROMISED TO HELP THE CITY OF LANCASTER HOMELESS. THE LAST
25 RAINS WE HAD HERE IN LANCASTER WITHIN FIVE MINUTES I HAD A

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1 RIVER RUNNING DOWN MY BACKYARD. I SHUDDER TO THINK OF THE
2 HOMELESS. WHERE ARE THEY STAYING? IN DRIVEWAYS? PARKS? WE NEED
3 YOUR HELP AND YOUR MONIES NOW, PLEASE. \$159,000 WAS GIVEN TO
4 GRACE RESOURCES FOR 39 COTS, NOT EVEN BEDS. WE HAVE HUNDREDS
5 OF HOMELESS HERE. \$70 MILLION ANNUALLY FEDERAL, STATE AND
6 COUNTY AND CITY FUNDS FOR PROGRESS-- PROGRAMS PROVIDING FOR
7 SHELTERS, HOUSING, SERVICES AND HOME FOR THE HOMELESS PERSONS,
8 FAMILIES AND CHILDREN. AT THIS POINT, I STARTED TO THINK ABOUT
9 ALL THIS AND I REMEMBERED A FRIEND OF MINE AND A FRIEND OF THE
10 CITY OF LOS ANGELES. HIS NAME WAS MR. BEN WEINGART. YOU MUST
11 KNOW HIM. HE STARTED THE WEINGART FOUNDATION IN 1951. I KNEW
12 HIM FROM MY BUSINESS AS A FABRICATOR. A WONDERFUL, WONDERFUL
13 MAN.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE ARE WORKING WITH THE WEINGART
16 FOUNDATION. HE WAS A WONDERFUL COMMUNITY LEADER, AS YOU
17 STATED. AND THEN HE LEFT HIS ASSETS TO THE VARIOUS CHARITABLE
18 ORGANIZATIONS THAT HELP CARRY OUT HIS PRIORITIES, HELPING THE
19 HOMELESS AND THOSE WITH ABUSE PROBLEMS. BUT WE HAD A VERY GOOD
20 MEETING TODAY WITH THE SECRETARY OF H.U.D., AND WE ARE WORKING
21 ON A PROGRAM AND ALSO AT HIGH DESERT HOSPITAL WILL BE USED FOR
22 THE SHELTERS. THAT'S BEING WORKED ON RIGHT NOW. SO THANK YOU.

23

24 **FRAN SERESERES:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP OSCAR MOHAMMED.

2 YES, SIR.

3

4 **JIMMY LIZAMA:** RECICLOS. WE'RE PROJECT UNDER THE BICYCLE
5 KITCHEN IN L.A. AND WHAT WE DO IS WE TAKE RECYCLED BICYCLES
6 THAT ARE BOUND FOR A LANDFILL AND WE HAVE A YOUTH PROGRAM
7 WHERE WE TEACH THEM HOW TO REBUILD THOSE BICYCLES, REDESIGN
8 THEM INTO CARGO BICYCLES. CARGO BICYCLES HELPS PEOPLE HAVE
9 MORE USE OF BICYCLES AS OPPOSED TO CARS, FOR GETTING THEIR
10 KIDS AROUND, GROCERIES, LAUNDRY, SO IT REDUCES CAR TRAFFIC
11 CONGESTION, BETTER ENVIRONMENT AND ALL THAT GOOD STUFF. HERE
12 TODAY TO ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR A GRANT WE JUST APPLIED FOR.
13 WE APPLIED FOR THE L.A. 2050 GRANT WHICH IS FOR \$100,000 AND
14 WE ARE LOOKING FOR THAT MONEY TO BE ABLE TO GET TOOLS AND
15 RESOURCES TO BE ABLE TO HAVE THIS PROGRAM AND HAVE JUST BETTER
16 RESOURCES TO EDUCATE THE YOUTH IN THE DIFFERENT CITIES HERE IN
17 L.A. I'VE GOT A FLYER HERE TODAY THAT I'D LIKE TO PASS OUT TO
18 YOU GUYS SO WE HAVE ALL THE INFORMATION. AND THE BICYCLE
19 KITCHEN HAS BEEN AROUND FOR 13 YEARS NOW. WE'VE HAD A REALLY
20 GREAT IMPACT ON CYCLING HERE IN THE CITY OF L.A. THIS IS THE
21 NEXT STEP IN OUR ABILITY TO PROVIDE BETTER ACCESS TO BICYCLES.
22 A REGULAR CARGO BICYCLE WILL COST ABOUT 2 TO \$3,000 AT A BIKE
23 SHOP. THAT'S REALLY UNAFFORDABLE. I WAS ABLE TO BUILD A CARGO
24 BICYCLE WITH SOME DROPOUT YOUTHS IN EAST L.A. FOR \$6 USING
25 MOSTLY RECYCLED MATERIALS. THIS HAS A HUGE IMPACT ON GIVING

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1 PEOPLE ALTERNATIVE FORMS OF TRANSPORTATION TO IMPROVE
2 ENVIRONMENT, TO IMPROVE TRANSPORTATION AND IT JUST REALLY
3 IMPACTS SOCIAL JUSTICE IN THE CITY OF L.A. WITH YOUR HELP, I
4 WAS GETTING THE WORD OUT AND HELPING US GET THIS GRANT, IT
5 WOULD REALLY GO A LONG WAY FOR US TO GET THE PROJECT OFF THE
6 GROUND. ADDITIONALLY, IF ANYBODY WANTS TO APPROACH US TO WORK
7 TOGETHER ON THE COUNTY LEVEL TO REALLY GET THIS PROGRAM OFF
8 THE LEVEL AND GET MORE PEOPLE EDUCATED AND MORE KIDS EDUCATED
9 ON HOW TO FABRICATE, IT WOULD REALLY GO A GREAT WAY TO LOOK AT
10 L.A. IN 2050 AS A PLACE WHERE THERE'S MANY FORMS TO GET AROUND
11 THAT ARE HEALTHY AND VIABLE AND SOCIALLY GREAT. SO THANK YOU
12 VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. PREVEN.

15

16 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, THANK YOU. IT'S ERIC PREVEN, COUNTY RESIDENT
17 FROM DISTRICT 3. THAT SOUNDS REALLY COOL. SO THANK YOU FOR
18 THAT. CLOSED SESSION NUMBER 4 TODAY, SIR, YOU WERE GOING INTO,
19 I WAS A LITTLE CONFUSED. CHOOSE A HEALTH AGENCY DIRECTOR. BUT
20 CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, THE MESSIAH HAS ALREADY ARRIVED IN
21 THIS CASE AND MITCH KATZ WILL BE, IS IT NOT MITCH KATZ? IS
22 THERE ANOTHER? HAVE I MISUNDERSTOOD SOMETHING THERE?

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** A LOT OF PEOPLE THINK THE MESSIAH IS
25 GOING TO COME BUT WE DON'T KNOW WHEN.

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1

2 **ERIC PREVEN:** IS KATZ THE AGENCY DIRECTOR? SEE IF YOU WANT TO
3 HIRE HIM FOR SURE. BE THAT AS IT MAY.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'RE GOING HIRE ERIC PREVEN.

6

7 **ERIC PREVEN:** ERIC PREVEN? I'M NOT INTERESTED IN THE HEALTH
8 AGENCY DIRECTOR. I DON'T HAVE THE EXPERIENCE, SIR. I'M HAPPY
9 TO CHASE YOU GUYS AROUND, BUT THAT'S MY-- OKAY. ITEM C.S.-1 IS
10 THE INTERESTINGLY ENOUGH, SIR, REGRETTABLY, THIS IS YOUR
11 INTEREST IN FIGHTING THE FATHER AND REVEREND BOTH IAN ELLIOTT
12 DAVIES LAWSUIT ABOUT THE COUNTY SEAL. I BELIEVE THAT'S C.S.-1
13 TODAY. IT'S UNFORTUNATE BECAUSE THIS IS REALLY AN OLD BATTLE.
14 TONY BELL WAS MUCH MORE SUITED FOR THE SCOOPER PRESS
15 CONFERENCE. I LIKE THAT. I LIKE THE QUALITY AND PRODUCTIVITY
16 NI HAO, THE CAT, ALL THAT. ALL THAT STUFF IS GOOD. THIS IS NOT
17 MY FAVORITE ITEM BECAUSE IT IS WASTING MONEY ON OLD FIGHT.
18 EVEN JUNIPERO SERA, THE GREAT JUNIPERO SERA SAID, LET'S MOVE
19 FORWARD, SO I WISH WE COULD. ITEM NO. 12 SUPERVISOR KUEHL IS
20 AGITATING AROUND THE TWO CONSTITUTIONAL SUPER LAWYERS THIS
21 MORNING. GOOD CHOICE. WHY THE SHERIFF WITH 18,000 EMPLOYEES
22 NEEDS TWO PEOPLE TO EXPLAIN THE CONSTITUTION TO HIM IS AN
23 EXTRAORDINARILY GOOD QUESTION. ITEM 1-P BEFORE I FORGET, IS
24 THIS IS SUPERVISOR KNABE REALLY AT HIS BEST. HE GOT AN ITEM
25 THAT CONFUSED SACHS, AWINGA AND NATIVE OAK TRAIL FOR \$175,000

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1 IS ACTUALLY DOING BUSINESS AS, LET'S RELEASE THE 3.5 MILLION
2 FOR THE GOLF NORWALK PROGRAM A.S.A.P. THAT IS WORRISOME,
3 BECAUSE COME ON. DOESN'T ANYBODY HAVE A BONE TO STAND UP AND
4 FIGHT ABOUT THESE THINGS? THERE'S A MILLION NEEDS FOR PARKS
5 AND REC. WE DON'T NEED ANOTHER GOLF OPERATION TO BE SPUN OFF
6 TO A PRIVATE ENTITY. AND, SIR, THANK YOU FOR THE \$2,012,000
7 FOR THE M.R.C.A. BUT WHO ARE WE BUYING THE LAND FROM TO MAKE
8 IT AVAILABLE TO THE NEIGHBORS FOR OPEN SPACE. I'M FOR IT, BUT
9 WHO ARE WE BUYING IT FROM? THANK YOU, SIR.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP CANDACE
12 JAMES AND TERRY SIGMUND. YES, SIR. YES, SIR.

13

14 **DAVID ROSS:** ME?

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR.

17

18 **DAVID ROSS.** MY NAME IS DAVID ROSS. HELLO MAYOR AND ALL THE
19 SUPERVISORS. I COME PERTAINING TO MYSELF. MY NAME IS DAVID
20 ROSS. AND I AM A NEPHEW OF DESI ARNEZ AND A NEPHEW OF AL
21 DAVIS, OAKLAND RAIDERS OWNER. I'VE BEEN HAVING PROBLEMS WITH
22 MY CONTRACTS I SIGNED. I'M 39 AND HAVING PROBLEMS WITH MY
23 CONTRACTS I SIGNED IN, I SAY, MIDDLE SCHOOL. THEY ARE WHAT CAN
24 I CALL THEM P.I.A. AND COUNTY-- COUNTY CONTRACTS WITH CORPORAL
25 PUNISHMENT. THE A.R. FOR L.A. COUNTY JAIL IS WHERE I HAVE BEEN

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1 HAVING AN ACCOUNTS. I SPEAK TO A CAPTAIN. I NO LONGER KNOW HIS
2 LAST NAME OR HIS FIRST WHO REASSURES ME MY CHECKS ARE WRITTEN.
3 I JUST CAN'T CALL THE COUNTY JAIL. I CAN'T JUST GO DOWN THERE
4 AND HAVE THEM HELP ME. IT'S IMPOSSIBLE. I NEED A LITTLE
5 INTERVENTION WHERE I CAN RECEIVE MY CHECKS WHERE THEY PROBABLY
6 DON'T HAVE MY BUSINESS WHICH WAS IN THERE, WAS FOOD. I
7 WOULDN'T CALL MYSELF REALLY THE FOOD AND BEVERAGE GUY BUT AT
8 TIMES I WAS. THERE ARE OTHER THINGS IN THOSE FACILITIES THAT
9 WHERE YOU HAVE A VENDING MACHINE IN THERE, WHICH I ALREADY HAD
10 PRODUCTS IN THERE FROM MY GRANDPARENTS AND I'VE HAD OTHER
11 PRODUCTS IN THERE ALSO THAT PEOPLE DID VERIFY WAS STILL MINE
12 WHEN I WAS YOUNGER. I WILL NOT VERIFY WHICH ONE OF THEM. I'D
13 SAY IT'S A LITTLE RUDE TO SAY IT, IT'S HYGIENE PRODUCTS,
14 DIFFERENTLY, SO I WOULD NOT SAY THOSE, BUT I AM TRYING TO
15 RECEIVE MY CHECKS AND THEY MIGHT HAVE ALREADY STOPPED MY PART
16 OF THE BUSINESS. WHEN IT CAME TO FOOD I'VE BEEN WITH THEM
17 SINCE 1991 AND I WAS 15. I'M 39 NOW, AND I'M NOT LIVING SO
18 GOOD RIGHT NOW. NOW MY UNCLE.

19
20 >>SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
21 ENTERTAINING. YES.

22
23 OSCAR MOHAMMED: MY NAME IS OSCAR MOHAMMED. I SPEAK FOR THE
24 OPPRESSED, I SPEAK FOR THE STRUGGLING POOR AND SPEAK FOR
25 CULTURE CHANGE. I'D LIKE TO SPEAK ABOUT HOW FALSE WORSHIP CAME

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1 INTO THE WORLD. MOSES BROUGHT THE TORAH, JUDAISM SAY THEY CAME
2 FROM THE TORAH. MOSES SAID GOD WAS ONE GOD. JUDAISM SAY YARA
3 IS THE SON OF YAHWEH. JESUS BROUGHT THE GOSPEL TO THE WORLD.
4 JESUS SAID GOD WAS ONE GOD. BUT THE CHRISTIANS SAY GOD IS THE
5 SON OF-- JESUS IS THE SON OF GOD. MOHAMMED THE LAST PROPHET.
6 HE BROUGHT THE HOLY BOOK CALLED THE QU'RAN, THE BOOK OF THE
7 MUSLIMS TO THE WORLD. MOHAMMED SAY ALLAH IS ONE GOD. BUT I
8 LIKE TO SAY THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN SENIOR CITIZEN, FEMALE IN
9 CHRISTIANITY IN LOS ANGELES DISABLED NEEDS MORE OUR SUPPORT
10 THEY DO NOT RECEIVE ANY. A LOT OF AFRICAN-AMERICANS, MALE AND
11 FEMALES GO TO CHURCH. THEY NEED AFFORDABLE HOUSING. THEY'RE
12 LIVING IN PEOPLE'S ROOMS WITH THEM. THEY DO NOT HAVE A PLACE
13 OF THEIR OWN TO DWELL IN. WE SHOULD LET CHILDREN GET HOMES
14 FIRST BEFORE SPREADING ABROAD. WE SHOULD REMOVE BLACK HOMELESS
15 OFF THE STREETS FROM DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES. THE PUBLIC SHOULD
16 NOT BE ABLE TO LOOK AT THE INFERIOR DEGRADING LIFESTYLE EVERY
17 DAY, THE SELF DESTRUCTIVE LIFESTYLE EVERY DAY. THEY SHOULD BE
18 MOVED INTO THE WASTELAND IN BAKERSFIELD AND PUT THEM IN TENTS.
19 WE SHOULD NOT SPEND ANY MONEY NEAR THE HOMELESS DOWNTOWN.
20 THERE IS NO HOPE COMING FOR THE HOMELESS. THERE IS NO
21 UPLIFTMENT COMING FOR THE HOMELESS. WE SHOULD BRIDGE POLITICAL
22 RESPONSIBILITY. WE SHOULD COME TOGETHER IN AMERICA AND TRY TO
23 LIVE BY THE CONSTITUTION THAT'S GOVERNING US. BUT ONE DAY ALL
24 BLACK AMERICANS WILL HAVE JOBS.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP MARY
2 CATALANO AND JOHN WALSH. YES, MA'AM.

3

4 **TERRY SIGMUND:** YES, I'M HERE BECAUSE THIS LADY HERE IS IN NEED
5 OF A PLACE AND SHE'S BEEN-- SHE HAS A LITTLE DAUGHTER AND
6 SHE'S BEING SENT AROUND ALL OVER TOWN TO BE DOING THINGS THAT
7 ARE IMPOSSIBLE. I WANT TO SPECIFICALLY TALK ABOUT THIS PIECE
8 OF-- I'M IN THE MIDDLE OF MY-- THIS IS VERY AWKWARD.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE SOMEBODY THAT WILL HELP HER.

11

12 **TERRY SIGMUND:** I KNOW THAT. THE ISSUE IS NOT THAT. THE ISSUE
13 IS THIS FORUM. THIS FORUM IS DEGRADING. THIS FORUM MAKES IT
14 IMPOSSIBLE FOR A PERSON TO FIND A PLACE. I'M A LANDLORD. I'M
15 FROM THE REAL WORLD. I DON'T HAVE A GOVERNMENT JOB. I DON'T
16 GET PAID UP WHETHER I SHOW UP OR NOT. I DEAL WITH THE REAL
17 WORLD. I'M TELLING YOU, I HAVE AN AD OUT ON CRAIGSLIST THAT
18 TARGETS WOMEN THAT HAVE CHILDREN TO COME TO CONTACT ME SO THEY
19 DON'T HAVE TO HAVE SEX FOR SLEEPY-SLEEPY, WITH EVERYBODY TO BE
20 ABLE TO SLEEP AT NIGHT AND HAVE A DAUGHTER NOT WITH A PERV
21 NEXT DOOR. SO THAT'S WHY I KEEP COMING HERE WITH LOVELY WOMEN
22 LIKE THAT, DECENT WOMAN, DECENT EVERYTHING. AND SHE SHOWS ME--
23 HAS OFFERED TO EVEN SHOW UP AND SAY, CAN YOU FILL OUT A PAPER
24 THAT COMPLETELY IS UNBINDING BUT YOU HAVE TO AGREE TO IT AND
25 IT'S NOT A REASONABLE RENT. SHE'S SUPPOSED TO GET FOR \$740 A

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1 PLACE. HOW WILL YOU GET \$740 A PLACE IN L.A. WITH A DAUGHTER?
2 IT'S NO LATITUDE FOR THE FACT THERE'S A CHILD INVOLVED. THE
3 THING IS, THERE IS NOBODY PROTECTING WOMEN ABOUT THE ADS THAT
4 ALWAYS SAY NO CHILDREN. YOU COULD HAVE 10 CATS AND YOU'LL GET
5 A PLACE BUT IF YOU HAVE A CHILD, YOU HAVE LIKE THE PLAGUE.
6 THERE'S NO PROTECTION. YOU SEND HER WITH THIS PAPER THAT
7 DOESN'T DO ANYTHING WITH ANYBODY BUT ONLY PREVENTS HER FROM
8 GETTING A PLACE BECAUSE IT DOESN'T HAVE AN INCENTIVE FOR THE
9 LANDLORD. THE REASON I'M COMING HERE TO SHARE THAT WITH YOU IS
10 YOU CAN MAKE A CHANGE AND NOT JUST HAVE PAPERWORK OUT THERE.
11 RUN PEOPLE RAGGEDY FOR SOMETHING THAT DOESN'T HELP THEM. I'M
12 GOING TO FILL THIS OUT. I'M GOING TO SIGN THIS RIGHT NOW. I'M
13 GOING TO GET HER THIS PLACE. BUT IT CAN'T SUBSTITUTE PEOPLE'S
14 LIVING, DO YOU UNDERSTAND? I HAVE CHILDREN TO SUPPORT MYSELF.
15 HELP THIS LADY.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM. COULD YOU HAVE
18 THE DEPARTMENT REVIEW THE FORM THAT THEY USE AND REPORT BACK
19 TO THE BOARD? LORRAINE? OKAY. LET ME ALSO CALL UP ARNOLD SACHS
20 AND RUTH SARNOFF. YES, MA'AM.

21

22 **MARY CATALANO:** YES, HI, MARY CATALANO AGAIN. I WANT TO SPEAK
23 TO THE AMENDMENT TO ITEM 34. I SO APPRECIATE YOU PASSING IT
24 FOR THE SPAY/NEUTER. THAT'S ABSOLUTELY FANTASTIC, FANTASTIC.
25 MY COMMENT IS ABOUT UNFORTUNATELY, IT MAY BE A GREAT IDEA TO

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1 SOME PEOPLE TO GIVE AWAY ANIMALS FOR FREE, BUT IT'S NOT A GOOD
2 IDEA BECAUSE MANY ANIMALS, ESPECIALLY CATS, ARE USED FOR
3 PITBULL BAIT OR SOLD TO LABS. IT ALSO CAN HAPPEN TO DOGS. THEY
4 PUT THEM IN A BAG AND THEY USE THEM FOR PITBULL BAIT. I
5 BELIEVE IF THEY'RE GIVEN AWAY FOR FREE THEY'RE NOT VALUED. AND
6 THE PROBLEM WITH MANY PEOPLE IS THAT THEY DON'T VALUE
7 SOMETHING THAT THEY'RE GIVING FOR FREE. THE ANIMALS ARE TAKEN
8 OUT OF THE SHELTER FOR FREE ARE NOT TAKEN TO THE VET. THEY'RE
9 RETURNED. KITTIES ARE USED LIKE TOYS. KITTENS ARE USED LIKE
10 TOYS AND CHILDREN TORTURE THEM UNTIL THEY BITE AND THEN THEY
11 GET RETURNED FOR BITING. I BELIEVE THAT THE MONEY THAT THE
12 A.S.C.P.A. IS OFFERING SHOULD BE THROWN MORE INTO SPAY NEUTER
13 AND PERHAPS MEDICAL CARE FOR ANIMALS THAT ARE ALREADY ADOPTED
14 FROM THE SHELTER. FLEA TREATMENTS, EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS,
15 LITERATURE THAT TELLS PEOPLE THE REASON THEY NEED TO FIX THE
16 ANIMALS IS BECAUSE THEY'RE GETTING SLAUGHTERED BY THE DOZENS.
17 BABY KITTENS THAT COME IN THAT ARE NOT WITH THEIR MOTHER THAT
18 ARE NOT THREE WEEKS OLD ARE KILLED THE SAME DAY. THEY ARE
19 ALWAYS KILLED THE SAME DAY. THEY HAVE NO PLACE TO BOTTLE FEED
20 THEM. THEY BEG RESCUERS TO TAKE THEM. WE CAN NEVER TAKE THEM.
21 KITTENS THAT ARE FROM 3 TO 4 WEEKS ARE KILLED THE SAME DAY OF
22 ARRIVAL. THE STATE LAW, WHICH IS THE HAYDEN BILL, ALLOWS
23 ANIMALS THAT ARE VIABLE TO BE IN THE SHELTER FOR FIVE DAYS
24 BEFORE THEY'RE PUT UP FOR ADOPTION OR KILLED. YOUR SHELTERS
25 ARE KILLING EVERYTHING AT FOUR DAYS BECAUSE THEY'RE ALLOWED TO

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1 BY STATE LAW EVEN WHEN THERE'S ROOM. I KNOW THIS BECAUSE I'VE
2 RESCUED FROM YOUR SHELTERS. AND IT'S LIKE A GAME TO TRY TO GET
3 THE ANIMALS OUT BEFORE THEY'RE KILLED THE DAY THEY COME IN. SO
4 IF YOU ARE, SHEILA, I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT YOU GOT THIS
5 MONEY FROM THE A.S.P.C.A., AND MR. ANTONOVICH. I'M SORRY, I
6 DON'T MEAN TO SAY SHEILA, I DON'T KNOW YOU THAT WELL. ALSO
7 WITH DOGS. IF YOU GAVE AWAY DOGS FOR FREE, THEY WOULD ALSO BE
8 DEVALUED. THE MONEY NEEDS TO BE TAKEN TO THE VETERINARY CARE,
9 FLEA CARE AND EDUCATION FOR THE PEOPLE THAT ARE GETTING THESE
10 ANIMALS. NOT GIVING THEM AWAY FREE. YOU CAN GET THEM FREE FROM
11 CRAIGSLIST AND TORTURE THEM IF YOU WANT TO. I WANTED TO ADD
12 THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR INPUT. MR. WALSH.

15

16 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG OR JWALSH
17 CONFIDENTIAL TWEETING AT @HOLLYWOODDEMS. THIS IS AN AMAZING
18 PICTURE. WE HAD OUR MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES BASICALLY KIDNAPED
19 YESTERDAY. THERE WEREN'T ENOUGH COPS AROUND. THESE OFFICERS DO
20 A GOOD JOB OF PROTECTING YOU BUT THEY'RE A JOKE AT L.A.P.D. HE
21 WAS SPEAKING AT HOLMAN CHURCH. I'VE BEEN THERE MANY TIMES. OUR
22 BLACK PATRIARCHS CAME IN TO CORRECT THE RECORD, THAT'S BLACK
23 LIVES MATTER. HE STARTED RUNNING AWAY, THE MAYOR. YOU'RE NOT
24 GOING TO HEAR THE FULL STORY. YOU HAVE TO LOOK ON THE WEB TO
25 SEE IT. HE STARTED RUNNING AWAY BECAUSE HE DOESN'T WANT--

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1 BECAUSE HE THINKS JUST BECAUSE HE'S JEWISH HE'S ALLOWED TO BE
2 A RACIST WHERE SO MANY JEWS ARE ANTIRACIST. HE WAS SURROUNDED.
3 IT WILL SHOW THAT HE ESCAPED INTO THE CAR. THE BLACK LIVES
4 MATTER PEOPLE SURROUNDED THE CAR. NOW THEY'RE SAYING THEY
5 BANGED ON TOP OF THE CAR. I THINK 110-POUND WOMAN JUMPED ONCE
6 OR TWICE. THEY STARTED SCREAMING AT HIM. AND HE WASN'T
7 LISTENING. BASICALLY THEY HAD TO WAIT FOR REINFORCEMENTS TO
8 GET BLACK PEOPLE OUT OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD SO OUR JEWISH MAYOR
9 COULD-- ITALIAN MAYOR COULD GET OUT. THIS HAS NEVER HAPPENED
10 BEFORE IN THE HISTORY OF LOS ANGELES. TODAY, THEY WERE STUNNED
11 AT CITY COUNCIL. IT WAS THE SHORTEST MEETING I'VE EVER SEEN.
12 25 MINUTES. AND WHAT DOES THIS SAY? WHAT'S THE TAKE-AWAY? THIS
13 CITY IS OUT OF CONTROL. IF THE OLYMPICS COME HERE, THE CITY
14 WILL TURN INTO A RACE RIOT. BLACK LIVES MATTER AND THE MAYOR
15 DOESN'T GIVE A SYPHILITIC RAT'S ASS ABOUT ANYBODY BUT HIS OWN
16 PEOPLE.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MISS SARNOFF.

19

20 **RUTH SARNOFF:** MY NAME IS RUTH SARNOFF. I WANT TO DO WHAT-- MY
21 DADDY USED TO TELL A STORY ABOUT THE GUY WHO ASKED HIS
22 MINISTER HOW COME-- HOW DO YOU COME UP WITH SUCH A GOOD SERMON
23 EVERY SUNDAY? HE SAID, WELL, FIRST I TELL HIM WHAT I'M GOING
24 TO TELL HIM. AND THEN I TELL HIM. AND THEN I TELL HIM WHAT I
25 TOLD HIM. THAT'S KIND OF WHAT I'M DOING TODAY. I'M BRINGING

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1 YOU FIVE SUPERVISORS A LOT OF GOOD DOTS TO CONNECT ON SOME
2 THINGS THAT HAVE BEEN GOING ON RECENTLY HERE IN BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS AND ALSO IN THE CITY. I HAVE BEEN TRYING TO
4 DUPLICATE THE INFORMATION THAT I GIVE TO YOU TO ALSO THE CITY
5 OF LOS ANGELES BECAUSE WE'RE ALL PART OF ONE REGION. AND TRY
6 TO GET PEOPLE TO CROSS FERTILIZE SOME OF THE INFORMATION. I
7 HAVE CHOSEN TODAY TO PUT TOGETHER SOME MATERIAL ON WATER
8 ISSUES. THERE ARE THREE PIECES IN THERE ABOUT THE WETLANDS
9 WHICH I THINK ARE INDICATIVE THAT THERE ARE THINGS TO
10 NEGOTIATE TO PLEASE SAVE AS MUCH OF THE WETLANDS BECAUSE
11 THAT'S HOW WE PURIFY. IT'S THE FRESHWATER AND MIXING WITH THE
12 OCEAN WATER AND THE CREATION OF THE DELTA THAT CLEANS OUR
13 WATER AND HELPS TO DEVELOP A ROOT SYSTEM. I'M CONCERNED ABOUT
14 THE RIVER PROJECT I PUT TOGETHER MORE THAN I SHOULD HAVE
15 TODAY. JUST THINK OF IT AS SOMETHING TO REFLECT ON AND MAYBE
16 CONNECT THE DOTS. SO WITH THAT I WILL PASS THIS FOR THE FIVE
17 SUPERVISORS.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MISS SARNOFF. THANK YOU.
20 MR. SACHS.

21

22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, SIR, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON ARNOLD
23 SACHS. AND I GUESS I GET TO CLOSE THE SHOW, MAYBE. I'M
24 SOMEWHAT DISAPPOINTED IN MYSELF THAT I DID NOT SPEAK ON 1-D,
25 BUT THEN AGAIN I GOT AN OPPORTUNITY TO RE-READ THE ITEM AGAIN.

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1 AND FASCINATING HOW YOU REALLY PAT YOURSELVES ON THE BACK. YOU
2 ALLOCATE \$965,000 AND EVERYBODY CAME UP HERE TALKING ABOUT JOB
3 DEVELOPMENT, JOB THIS, JOB, JOB, JOB, JOB, JOB. YOU'RE HIRING
4 THREE CONSULTANTS. \$365,000 FROM THE C.E.D.T.F. TO SECURE A
5 CONSULTANT. \$450,000 TO SECURE A CONSULTANT. AND \$100,000 TO
6 CONVENE A WORKING GROUP OF STAKEHOLDERS WITH CONSULTANT
7 SUPPORT. THE ONLY PEOPLE GETTING JOBS ARE THREE CONSULTANTS.
8 OPEN DATA. FACTUAL DATA. GET A CHANCE TO READ IT. I DID WANT
9 TO BRING UP A POINT BUT I MISSED THE OPPORTUNITY. COUPLE WEEKS
10 AGO MAYBE THE END OF SEPTEMBER YOU WERE DOING SOMETHING WITH
11 SOLAR. AND THEN L.A. TIMES WRITES A STORY ABOUT THE P.U.C. IS
12 GOING TO HAVE HEARINGS WITH UTILITY COMPANIES ABOUT HOW
13 THEY'RE GOING TO RAISE THE RATES OR HOW YOU THEY'RE GOING TO
14 MANIPULATE THE SOLAR POWER SO THAT PEOPLE WILL PAY MORE FOR
15 SOLAR ENERGY. SO I'M WONDERING, BECAUSE A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE
16 COMPLAINING, HAVE YOU WRITTEN A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER TO THE
17 P.U.C. RAISING CONCERNS ABOUT IF THE UTILITY COMPANY RAISES
18 THE RATES FOR SOLAR ENERGY, THEN IT DOESN'T REALLY MAKE IT
19 EQUITABLE DEAL FOR THE PUBLIC? THAT SHOULD BE A NO. YOU HEARD
20 SOME STORIES ABOUT THE GOVERNOR AND THE WATER AND THE DROUGHT
21 AND THEN READ STORIES IN THE CITY OF L.A. ABOUT THESE USERS
22 WHO ARE A MILLION GALLONS OR MORE. THAT WOULD BE A NO. AND
23 FINALLY, SHE WANTS TO GO SOME PLACE FOR FERTILIZER THE COUNTY
24 BOARD IS A PLACE FOR FERTILIZER.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. NOW RECESS TO EXECUTIVE
2 SESSION.

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4 **AVIANNA URIBE, ACTING ASS'T. EXEC. OFCR.:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH
5 BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD
6 OF SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEMS
7 C.S.-1, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING
8 LITIGATION; ITEM NO. C.S.-2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
9 REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION; ITEM NO. C.S.-3,
10 PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT
11 TO THE POSITION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF CHILD
12 PROTECTION; ITEM NO. C.S.-4, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT CONSIDERATION
13 OF CANDIDATES FOR THE APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF HEALTH
14 AGENCY DIRECTOR; ITEM NO. C.S.-5, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE
15 EVALUATIONS AND ITEM NO. C.S.-6 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR
16 NEGOTIATOR SACHI A. HAMAI AND DESIGNATED STAFF AS INDICATED ON
17 THE POSTED AGENDA.

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4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
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6 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my
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8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived
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11 me.

12 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor
13 related to any party to the said action; nor
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15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
16 26th day of October 2015, for the County records to be used
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